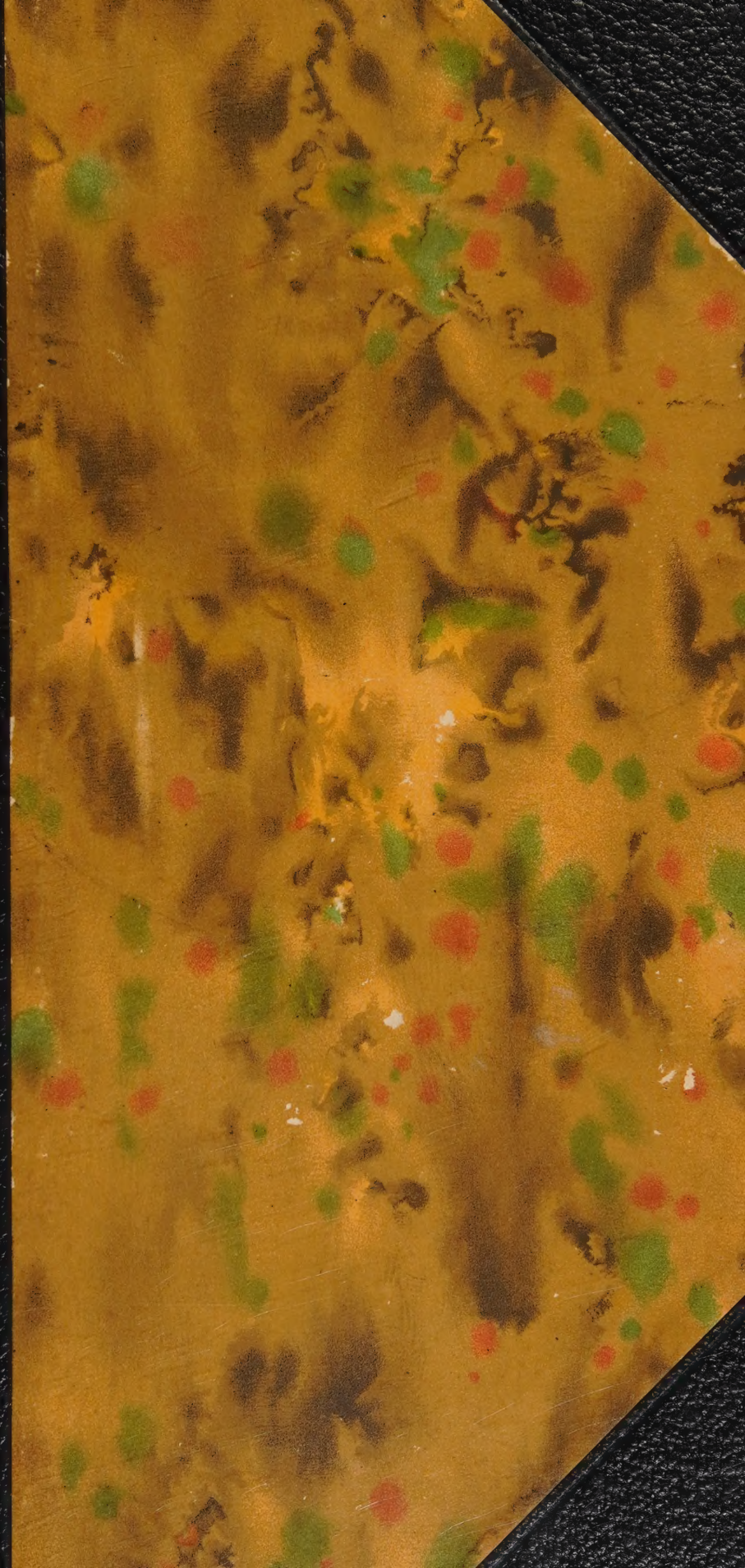


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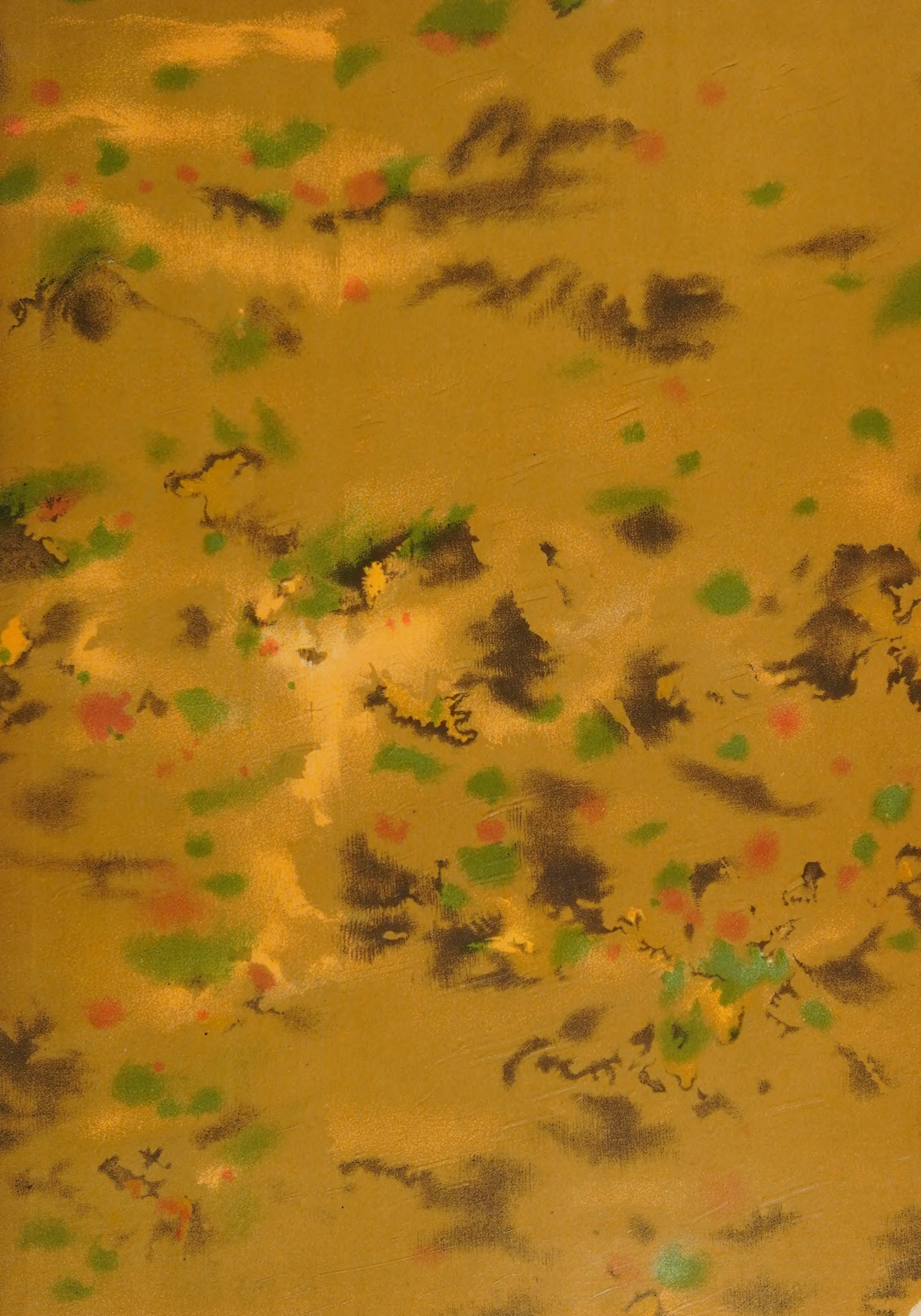
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WILLIAM S. LINDESMITH

BIOGRAPHICAL

WILLIAM STEWART LINDESMITH

Among the well known business men of Alliance, one of the oldest in point of years of continuous service is William S. Lindesmith, who for fifty-one years has been engaged in business at 355-7 East Main street, and during all of that time he has enjoyed to the fullest extent the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Lindesmith was born in Hanover, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 20th of September, 1856, and is a son of Jacob and Catherine (Stewart) Lindesmith. In the paternal line he is of Swiss ancestry, his great-great-grandparents, Joseph and Anna (Bauman) Lindesmith, having been born in Berne, Switzerland. In 1767 they came to America, settling in Berks county, Pennsylvania, where Joseph Lindesmith engaged in farming. He fought under General Washington during the Revolutionary war, being a musician in the Pennsylvania troops, and during a part of that period his wife acted as a nurse with the colonial army. Four of their sons fought in the War of 1812. The family has always been noted for its patriotism and at the end of this sketch appear the names of fifty relatives of our subject who have taken part in the wars of this country. His great-grandparents were Daniel and Elizabeth (Weimer) Lindesmith, the former of whom was a musician in Captain Harbach's troop, Columbiana county, Ohio, War of 1812. His paternal grandfather, Jacob Weimer Lindesmith, was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, and died in Columbiana county, Ohio, where he owned a farm near Hanover. He fought in Captain Lucy's troop in the Indian war of 1834 and two of his

sons, Rev. E. W. J. Lindesmith, a Catholic priest, and J. W. Lindesmith, were soldiers in the Union army during the Civil war. The former was also chaplain in the United States Army from 1880 to 1892. Jacob Weimer Lindesmith, the grandfather, married Miss Barbara Walser, who was born near Berne, Switzerland, and died on the Lindesmith homestead near Hanover. She was a member of the Roman Catholic church, and her husband was a member of the Lutheran church. Among their children was Jacob Lindesmith, father of William S. He was born on his father's farm in Hanover township, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 4th of January, 1834; was reared in a log cabin, for his parents were pioneer settlers in that locality; and secured his education in the primitive schools of that period. In 1865 he came to Alliance and established a harness and saddlery shop, which he conducted for many years, retiring some time prior to his death, which occurred in this city, June 19, 1900. He was a Roman Catholic in his religious faith. He married Miss Catherine Stewart, who was born near New York city, March 25, 1832, and died in Alliance, Ohio, October 6, 1905. She was a daughter of William and Mary (DeFord) Stewart, both of whom were born near Londonderry, Ireland, and died at Summitville, Ohio, where the father was long engaged in farming. They were members of the Roman Catholic church.

William S. Lindesmith was educated in the public schools of Alliance and then assisted his father in the harness business until 1877. On the 20th of March, that year, he established a shop of his own at 355-7 East Main street, where he has engaged in business under his own name continuously to the present time. For a number of years he confined his attention to the harness trade, but later added other departments, including hardware, trunks, leather goods, sporting goods and paints, and he has always enjoyed a very satisfactory trade, due to his careful attention to the needs and tastes of his customers and his honorable business methods. He has prospered in material affairs and is a director of the People's Bank Company of Alliance and president of the Alliance Building & Savings Company.

Mr. Lindesmith has been married twice, first, on June 10, 1880, in Alliance, to Miss Adeline Olott, who was born June 10, 1860, and was a daughter of Lewis and Catherine (Kessler) Olott, of Cleveland, both of whom are deceased. To this union were born

two children. Blanche A., born December 8, 1885, attended the parochial schools and was graduated from the Alliance high school and Mount Union College. She also had two years in Columbia University, New York city, and is now teaching in the public schools of Seattle, Washington. William Stewart, born October 24, 1889, was educated in the public and parochial schools of Alliance, and is now associated with his father in business. He married Miss Marie Norris, of Alliance, and they have two children, Adeline Jane and Mary Frances. Mrs. Adeline Lindesmith died February 23, 1912, and October 5, 1914, Mr. Lindesmith married Miss Dora M. Quinn, who was born August 5, 1860, and is a daughter of Denis and Catherine Quinn, of Alliance, both of whom are deceased.

Mr. Lindesmith is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of St. John and the Chamber of Commerce. He has been a director of the Red Cross since its organization and has also been connected with the Associated Charities. During the period embraced in his business career in Alliance he has witnessed great changes in conditions and through his individual efforts has contributed his share to the commercial development of the city and its advancement along civic lines. A man of straightforward manner, right principles and a kindly and unaffected manner, he has made many warm and loyal friends among the people of this community and is held in high regard by all who know him.

The following military record of the family was compiled by Rev. E. W. J. Lindesmith, chaplain, U. S. A., St. Ann's Orphan Asylum, Woodland avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, 1918:

1. Michael Lindesmith, son of Daniel Lindesmith and Elizabeth Bernard of Switzerland; colonel, Berks Co., Reg. Pa.; and his three brothers and a nephew in the Revolutionary war of 1776.
2. Jacob Lindesmith, private in Captain J. Atlee's Battalion, Berks Co., Pa.
3. George Lindesmith, corporal in Richard Hampton's Company, Pa.
4. Michael Lindesmith, private in his uncle's regiment.
5. Joseph Lindesmith, in Pennsylvania troops in 1776 to the end of the war. He had four sons in the War of 1812 in Columbiana county, Ohio.

6. Daniel Lindesmith, in Captain Harbach's Troop, Columbiana Co., Ohio; in War of 1812. He had a son in the Seminole war; three brothers in the War of 1812, and seven grandsons in the Civil war.
7. Jacob Weimer Lindesmith, Captain Lucy's Troop, for the Seminole Indian war in 1834. He had two sons in the Civil war, Columbiana Co., Ohio.
8. Rev. Eli Washington John Lindesmith; chaplain, U. S. A.
9. Jason Wilson Lindesmith, Company K, 115 O. V., Columbiana Co., Ohio. Katharine (Lindesmith) Morgan had two sons in the Civil war.
10. Daniel Morgan, Company F, 76th Ohio Volunteers.
11. James Morgan, Company F, 76th Ohio Volunteers. Susanna (Lindesmith) Copeland had three sons in the Civil war.
12. John H. Copeland, Company I, 1st Reg.; Columbiana Co., Ohio.
13. George F. Copeland, Company D, 18th Ohio Battalion.
14. William K. Copeland, 100th Ohio Volunteers.
Elizabeth (Lindesmith) Knepper; three sons of her son John, one of Godfrey, two of Daniel, and one of Peter, in the Civil war.
15. Bernard Knepper, 4th Indiana Volunteers.
16. Noah Knepper, 1st Indiana, 16th Battalion.
17. Albert Knepper, Company K, 115th Ohio Volunteers.
18. William Knepper, Indiana Volunteers.
19. Daniel Knepper, Jr., Indiana Volunteers.
20. Henry Knepper, Indiana Volunteers.
21. William Knepper, Company K, 3d Ohio Volunteers.
22. Jacob Lindesmith, who, during the War of 1812 attended to the farms of his three brothers and his own, had a son and grandson in the Civil war.
23. David K. Lindesmith, Company E, 48th Indiana Volunteers. Hannah (Lindesmith) Young had a son in the Civil war.
24. Jacob A. Young, 81st Ohio Volunteers, 15th Corps.
25. John Lindesmith, War of 1812; grandfather of nine in the Civil war and granduncle of twenty-three; great-granduncle of four in the Philippine war.
Susanna (Lindesmith) Crissinger had a son in the Civil war.
26. Samuel Crissinger. Died in the army.
Joseph Lindesmith had a son in the Civil war.

27. Thomas Fife Lindesmith, Company F, 12th Indiana Cavalry; 1st Company bugler.
28. James L. Anderson, Company K, 115th Ohio Volunteers. Died in the army.
29. John C. Anderson, whose wife was Elisabeth Lindesmith; Company C, 143d Ohio Volunteers, National Guard.
Delila (Lindesmith) Brechner had five sons in the Civil war.
30. Aaron Brechner, Company B, 47th Indiana.
31. Joseph Brechner.
32. Wilson Brechner.
33. Peter Brechner, Company B, 47th Indiana Volunteers.
34. Samuel Brechner, 108th Indiana.
35. Peter Lindesmith, in the War of 1812, had seven grandsons in the Civil war; two great-grandsons in the Philippine war.
Elisabeth (Lindesmith) Crissinger had three sons in the Civil war.
36. William Crissinger served in a Carroll Co., Ohio, company.
37. Simon Peter Crissinger, Company K, 157th Ohio Volunteers; Milwaukee Soldiers' Home.
38. Samuel Lee Crissinger, two terms 3d Ohio Battery to July 31, 1865; promoted sergeant for bravery at the battle, Atlanta, Ga.
Daniel Lindesmith had three sons in the Civil war.
39. David Lindesmith, Company K, 68th Ohio Volunteers.
40. Peter Lindesmith, Company K, 68th Ohio Volunteers.
41. George W. Lindesmith, Company K, 68th Ohio Volunteers.
David Lindesmith had a son in the Civil war.
42. Orlando Lindesmith, Sr.
43. Everett E. Lindesmith, Company D, North Dakota; also in Battery B, 5th Artillery.
44. Harry Lindesmith, Spanish war.
Emma (Lindesmith) Warren had a son who is Spanish war veteran.
45. Ivan Willis Joseph Warren, Spanish war.
Angelina Lindesmith had a son in Spanish war.
46. Franklin D. Hoadley, Company D, 1st North Dakota.
47. George W. Ott served in the wars of the Pine Ridge, Spanish and Philippine.
48. A. C. Lindesmith, World war.
49. O. C. Lindesmith, World war.

50. W. C. Lindesmith, World war.

This makes fifty blood relations of William Stewart Lindesmith.

FRANK LEHNER

Frank Lehner, president of the Frank Lehner Company, is one of Canton's wide awake and progressive business men and is achieving noteworthy success in his present enterprise, which he has developed into an important and prosperous concern. He has always resided in Ohio, his birth having occurred in Baltic, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 27th of July, 1882, his parents being George and Sophia (Linbach) Lehner. The family is of German origin and was established in this country in 1833 by Casper Lehner, who was born in Germany in 1812 and who settled in Holmes county, Ohio. In that county George Lehner was born and reared, and later became a resident of Tuscarawas county, where he engaged in contracting and building, but in 1899 retired from business and came to Canton, where he resided until his death. His wife was born in Baltic, Tuscarawas county, and was a daughter of Daniel and Margaret (Bollingbacher) Linbach, who were natives of Germany and were early settlers in Tuscarawas county. To Mr. and Mrs. Lehner were born three children, of whom both Marie and Charles are deceased. Frank Lehner, the only surviving member of the family, attended the public schools of Canton and has made his own way in the world since sixteen years of age. He was first employed by W. A. McCrea, wholesale dealer in dry goods and notions, with whom he remained three years, after which he was for seven years with the Canton Grocery Company, for whom he became a buyer. He then became buyer for the Dannemiller Grocery Company, with which he remained four years, and in 1923 embarked in his present business, organizing the Frank Lehner Company. He is a wholesale dealer in men's wear and furnishings, commanding the major portion of the local trade, and as president and manager of the business displays ripe judgment and sound principles.

In 1903, in Canton, Mr. Lehner was united in marriage to Miss Ora Peters, a native of this city and a daughter of Samuel and

Linne (Carnes) Peters. To Mr. and Mrs. Lehner have been born three children, Kathryn, deceased, Elizabeth and Casper. The republican party receives Mr. Lehner's support, while, fraternally, he is a member of Canton Lodge No. 60, F. & A. M.; Canton Lodge, K. P., and the Triangle Club, and Mrs. Lehner belongs to the Pythian Sisters. He is treasurer of the Canton Pythian Castle Company and is secretary and treasurer of the Interstate Clothing Manufacturing Company of Canton. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Reformed church. Mr. Lehner is keen and alert in his business affairs, his actions are governed by the highest principles of honor and he has so ordered his life as to win and retain the unqualified confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

DANIEL A. BIVENOUR

One of Canton's most notable business concerns is that carried on under the name of Bivenour's Fur Service, at 429 Tuscarawas street west, which is owned and conducted by Daniel A. Bivenour, who has had long and practical experience in the handling and care of fur. This is the only concern of its kind in Canton and the success which has come to Mr. Bivenour is the legitimate result of his enterprising and progressive business methods. Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on the 28th of June, 1890, he is a son of Louis Joseph and Margaret Ann (Dougherty) Bivenour. The family came originally from Alsace-Lorraine and was established in York, Pennsylvania, in an early day. In the latter city Louis J. Bivenour was born and reared, and during early manhood engaged in the hotel business in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Later he came to Canton, Ohio, where he is now engaged in the painting and contracting business. His father was a veteran of the Civil war, having served with a Pennsylvania regiment. The mother was born and reared in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in which locality her family, which was of Irish lineage, was established many years ago. Both parents are living and reside at 1329 Seventh street northwest, Canton. To them were born six children, five sons and a daughter, of whom one son and the daughter are deceased.

Daniel A. Bivenour received his educational training in the public schools of Canton, graduating from the McKinley high

school in 1909. He then went to the Pacific coast, settling in Everett, Washington, where he was employed for a short time in the lumber mills. During his school years he had learned the trade of a taxidermist and while in the west added to his knowledge of that subject, his training including two years under Henry W. Holling, the well known taxidermist and furrier of Minneapolis, Minnesota. He spent four years in the fur-producing states of the west and devoted his attention closely to the mastery of every detail of the fur business, so that today he is justly recognized as an expert and authority in that line. In 1918 Mr. Bivenour returned to Canton, established his present business and is now the owner of the only exclusive fur and skin store in Stark county, and to this he devotes his attention exclusively. Bivenour's Fur Service also makes a specialty of fur storage, which in recent years has come to be recognized as essential to the preservation and proper care of fur. Few furs actually wear out. The time they deteriorate is during the summer months when they are not in use, when the natural oils dry out and the skins become brittle and crack. This change is not always apparent to anyone but a trained furrier. The owner first notices it when the furs begin to show "wear," when the hair comes out, a lack of luster is apparent and the skins tear apart. Only one method of fur storage is safe and dependable, and that is in circulating dry ice-cold air, which preserves the natural oil and the furs come out looking better than when they were put in. Another most important element to be considered in the care of summer clothing and fabrics is the constant danger from moths, because of the fact that in these days most homes are kept at summer temperature the year round, so that there is constant danger. Moth eggs may be laid on susceptible articles at any time they are not in use, and if precautionary measures are not taken they may be quite unexpectedly damaged. So the safe step is to keep these goods protected by storage in winter as the furs are protected in summer. In addition all goods put into storage are safe from fire or theft, being fully covered by insurance against either of these losses or any other damage.

On October 26, 1915, in Canton, Mr. Bivenour was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Prendiville, who is a native of this city and a daughter of John and Ann (Schaffner) Prendiville, the father coming to this country from Cork, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Bivenour are the parents of four children: Margaret Ann, born

August 5, 1917; Jack Louis and Mary Jane, twins, born November 17, 1919; and Barbara Nell, born May 10, 1921. Mr. Bivenour gives his political support to the democratic party, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, while he and his wife are devout members of St. Johns Roman Catholic church. Mr. Bivenour has shown a commendable interest in the general welfare of his city and county, giving his earnest support to everything calculated to advance the interests of his fellowmen, and, because of his splendid business success and his genial manner, has won and retains a host of admiring friends throughout his community.

EVERLY E. JOBE

Everly E. Jobe, who conducts a well equipped jewelry store at 114 Third street, southwest, Canton, and has built up a prosperous business on the basis of the high quality of his goods and his honorable business methods, was born in Shreve, Wayne county, Ohio, October 3, 1885, and is a son of James and Harriet (Everly) Jobe. The family came to this country from Holland and settled in Pennsylvania. James Jobe was born in Westmoreland county, that state, May 2, 1841, and about 1846 he was brought to Ohio by his parents, Isaac and Margaret (Wall) Jobe, who became pioneers of Wayne county, where Isaac Jobe engaged in farming and stock raising. James Jobe was reared and educated in Wayne county and his active years were mainly devoted to agricultural pursuits. In 1890 he brought his family to Canton, where he was employed by the Bucher-Gibbs Plow Company for a time, but is now living retired in this city. He is a staunch supporter of the republican party and formerly took an active interest in public affairs, particularly of a local nature. He is a member of the Disciple church. A veteran of the Civil war, he served as a corporal in Company I, Sixteenth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, from the beginning to the end of the war. His wife was born in Jeromeville, Ashland county, Ohio, and was a daughter of Henry and Joahanna (Evans) Everly. The Everly family was of German descent and was early established in Pennsylvania, whence members of the family migrated to Ohio, while the Evans family is of Welsh extraction.

Mrs. Jobe died in Canton in 1905. To Mr. and Mrs. Jobe were born seven children, of whom five are living.

Everly E. Jobe, the youngest of the family, attended the public schools of Canton to the age of fourteen years, when he entered upon an apprenticeship in the watch factory of the Dueber-Hampden Company, where he remained about six years, acquiring a sound fundamental knowledge of the technical side of the business. He followed that trade for several years, and eventually located in Cleveland, where he was connected with the Webb C. Ball Company, leading jewelers of that city, and there he rounded out his technical training in all branches of the jeweler's art. In 1923 Mr. Jobe came to Canton and established his present business, in which success attended him from the start, and he is now numbered among the prosperous and substantial merchants of this city.

On October 14, 1920, in Canton, Mr. Jobe was united in marriage to Miss Nuna Smiley, who was born in Beach City, Ohio, and is a daughter of L. C. and Agnes (Riggle) Smiley, of a family established at Dundee, Tuscarawas county, in an early day. Though deeply interested in public affairs, Mr. Jobe is not affiliated with any political party, voting according to his judgment as to men and measures. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., and the Shady Hollow Country Club, and he and his wife are members of the First Christian church, to which they give generous support. He stands for all that is best in the life of the community and his honorable business record and excellent personal qualities have gained for him an enviable standing throughout the city where he lives.

CHRISTIAN R. WINGERD

Few men have entered upon their life work better prepared educationally than did Christian R. Wingerd, who is numbered among the capable and successful lawyers of Canton, where he is winning a very gratifying clientele. Mr. Wingerd was born on the 25th of December, 1898, in Marlboro township, Stark county, Ohio, and is a son of George W. and Celesta (Shoemaker) Wingerd. His father, also a native of Stark county, is a member of an old and well known family of this locality, that originated



CHRISTIAN R. WINGARD

in Germany, whence some of its members migrated to England, and from the latter country came Christ Wingerd, who settled in Connecticut. It is traditionally stated that he fought in the Revolutionary war. Descendants of his moved to Pennsylvania, in which state was born Christian Wingerd, the grandfather of Christian R. Wingerd. He came to Ohio sometime prior to the Civil war and here engaged in agricultural pursuits, meeting with success, so that at the time of his residence in Stark county he had very large property holdings in what is now a thickly populated section of Canton, known as the Fulton district. He was a leader in republican politics, though he never sought nor filled public office. His death occurred here in 1896. George W. Wingerd was reared in Stark county, attended the public schools and later was graduated from Ohio Northern University, at Ada, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For many years he engaged in educational work, teaching in the schools of Stark county, but in later years turned his attention to farming. He prospered in his business affairs, and is now living retired, enjoying well earned leisure. His wife, Celesta (Shoemaker) Wingerd, was born in Marlboro township, Stark county, and is a daughter of Jonathan and Harriet (Christ) Shoemaker. The Shoemaker family is of German origin and on coming to this country settled in Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Wingerd had two children. The daughter Harriet, is the wife of Glenn Boettler, of North Canton.

The son, Christian R. Wingerd, attended the public schools of Hartville, Stark county, graduating from the high school there in 1916, and then entered the Kent State Normal School, from which, a year later, he received a teacher's certificate. He then entered Ohio Northern University and he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1919, after which he entered Ohio State University, gaining his Master's degree in 1920. During the following two years he taught in the Hartville high school, but having decided to devote his life to the profession of law, entered the law school of Ohio State University, where he took his preliminary work in law. Desiring a wider experience and larger contact with people, he decided to continue his studies elsewhere and entered Yale University Law School, while later he attended the law school of Michigan University, and subsequently the law school of Wisconsin University, after which he returned to Ohio State University and was graduated with the degree of

Bachelor of Law in 1924. He then became associated with the Prudential Life Insurance Company, having charge of its title work for about one year, at the end of which time he engaged in the private practice of law. He has his offices in the First National Bank building and conducts a general civil and office practice, in which he is meeting with very satisfactory success.

Mr. Wingerd is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Gamma Eta Gamma law fraternity, and his religious connection is with the First Christian church. During the World war Mr. Wingerd was a member of the Students' Army Training Camp at Ada. He is a constant student of his profession, has established a good reputation as a sound and safe advisor and commands to a marked degree the confidence and esteem of all who know him, while his cordial and friendly manner has won for him a host of warm and loyal friends.

JOSEPH B. PARKER

Joseph B. Parker, who for a quarter of a century has operated a photographic business in Canton and is now president of Parker Studio, Inc., at 237 Market avenue north, is regarded as one of the most skilled and artistic photographers in this section of the state and commands the patronage of the representative people of this city and county. Mr. Parker was born near Sparta, White county, Tennessee, on the 26th of November, 1866, and is a son of Joseph A. and Elizabeth (Clark) Parker. The family was originally from England, the American progenitor settling in Virginia prior to the Revolutionary war and from that state members of the family went to Tennessee. Joseph A. Parker was born in Tennessee February 27, 1828, and spent his life there. He was a successful planter, and unlike his neighbors, was a stanch abolitionist, never owning a slave, but was successful in his material affairs. For many years he was connected with the old State Bank at Sparta. A democrat in his political faith, he was active in local public affairs, having served as tax assessor of White county. He was a devout member of the Baptist church and commanded the confidence and respect of his fellowmen. He died at his home near Sparta when sixty-six years old. His wife, whose family also had

gone to Tennessee from Virginia, was born near Sparta in 1832, and died in 1884, at the age of fifty-two years. To them were born twelve children, five sons and seven daughters, of whom ten are living.

Joseph B. Parker, who was the fifth in order of birth, received a good education in the public schools of his native state, though the major portion of his education has been acquired through reading and study during the subsequent years, so that today he is a man of accurate knowledge on a wide range of subjects. He remained on his father's farm until nineteen years of age, when he opened a grocery store in Sparta, which he conducted for four years. During the two following years he was employed as a clerk in a drug store in Sparta, and in 1892 went to Toledo, Ohio, where he remained but a short time, going from there to Detroit, Michigan, where he began his identification with the photographic business, in which he continued for six years. He next located in Cleveland, Ohio, where he was similarly engaged for five years, and in 1903 came to Canton. Opening a studio, success attended him from the start, and during the subsequent years he has enjoyed a very satisfactory patronage and commands an enviable reputation for the high quality of his work. In February, 1928, his business was incorporated under the name of Parker Studio, of which he is president, and his establishment ranks among the leaders in its line in this section of the state. He has a fine suite of rooms and his paraphernalia and equipment are modern in every respect, so that he is able to work under the most advantageous conditions. One of his best recommendations is the fact that many who were among his first patrons here are still giving him their work.

Mr. Parker has been married twice, first on July 15, 1885, at Sparta, Tennessee, to Miss Bettie Gracey, who was born and reared at that place and was a daughter of Wayman L. Gracey. Mrs. Parker died May 28, 1896, leaving two children: Gracey, who is the wife of Charles Beaubien, of Detroit, Michigan, and has two sons, Richard and Gordon; and May, who is the widow of Elmer M. Douglas and lives in Los Angeles, California. On May 28, 1898, Mr. Parker married Miss Lulu B. Kerr, who was born in Greenville, Ohio, a daughter of Alec Kerr. The democratic party receives Mr. Parker's support. He is a member of Riverside Lodge, No. 209, K. P., at Cleveland, Ohio; Canton Lodge, L. O. O. M., and the Canton Kiwanis Club. His religious connection is with

the Baptist church and he is a liberal supporter of all worthy benevolent and charitable causes, while everything pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the community enlists his interest. Genteel, courteous and obliging, he makes friends of all who come in contact with him and well merits the high place which he holds in the esteem of his fellow citizens.

RAYMOND L. FOX

Raymond L. Fox, treasurer and general manager of the R. L. Fox Company, of Canton, owes his success to indomitable and well directed effort, as well as to his sagacity in taking advantage of opportunities, and he is today regarded as one of his city's most progressive and capable business men. Mr. Fox was born in Cleveland, Ohio, March 18, 1887, and is a son of Conrad and Helen (Kemmerling) Fox. His father was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, and was a member of an old family of that state, of German origin. He became a resident of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1873 and there completed his education, after which he learned the moulder's trade, which he followed during his remaining years, his death occurring March 19, 1919, at the age of fifty-four years. His wife, born in Germany, was brought to this country at the age of two years by her parents, who settled in Cleveland, where she was reared, educated and married. To Mr. and Mrs. Fox were born two sons and two daughters: Ella, who is the wife of Alex Gidradis, of Cleveland; Leonard, deceased; Raymond L.; and Hazel, the wife of Charles Gohre, of Cleveland.

Raymond L. Fox was graduated from high school in his native city, after which he served a three years' apprenticeship to the trade of toolmaking. During the two following years he was a foreman for the Ajax Manufacturing Company, of Cleveland, but resigned to accept the superintendency for the Farrel-Broke Company, of Cleveland, with which concern he was connected for about eighteen months. In 1918 Mr. Fox came to Canton as an efficiency expert in toolmaking for the Timken Roller Bearing Company, which position he filled in a very satisfactory manner until the close of the war. In February, 1918, Mr. Fox established his present business under the firm name of Adams & Fox, dec-

orators and dealers in paints and wallpaper. The business was begun on a small scale and with limited capital, but has steadily grown through the years until today it is the leading concern in its line in Stark county. In 1919 the firm name was changed to R. L. Fox & Company, and in 1921 the business was incorporated as the R. L. Fox Company, of which William A. Karlowsky is president, Mr. Fox, treasurer and general manager, and Mrs. Florence Fox, secretary. The firm has a well established reputation for the high quality of its work in painting and interior decorating, carries a complete line of paints, oils, wallpaper, pictures and picture frames, and has a well arranged and attractive store at 519 Market avenue north.

On October 30, 1910, in Cleveland, Mr. Fox was united in marriage to Miss Florence Nead, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nead, who were originally residents of Cincinnati, Ohio, whence they moved to Cleveland, where they still reside. Mrs. Fox is a member of the MacDowell Club of Canton and is greatly interested in the civic and social affairs of this city. In his political attitude Mr. Fox is independent, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Lions Club and the Young Men's Christian Association and he and his wife are earnest members of the Roman Catholic church.

VENO W. KLINGSTEDT

One of the leading printing concerns of northeastern Ohio is that of Klingstedt Brothers, of Canton, which, because of the high quality of its work and the splendid service which it renders, has become strongly established in the favor of discriminating patrons throughout this part of the country. Veno W. Klingstedt, one of the partners in this enterprise, was born in Jamestown, Chautauqua county, New York, the 4th of August, 1887, and is a son of Lawrence John and Mathilda (Magnuson) Klingstedt. The father was born January 15, 1858, at Hogstena Stenstorp, Sweden, and was reared and educated in his native country. He moved to Stockholm, Sweden, and later to Copenhagen, Denmark, where he resided for a time, and in the early '80s emigrated to the United

States. He lived for a while in New York city, later moving to Geneva, New York, and finally settled in Jamestown, where he has since resided. He followed tailoring for many years but is now retired from active business pursuits. He is a republican in his political views and has taken an active interest in public and civic affairs. The mother was born in Smoland, Sweden, December 12, 1856, and died at Jamestown, April 29, 1926, being interred in Lakeview cemetery in that city. She came to this country in young girlhood, in the early '80s, and settled in Jamestown, where she had relatives living, and there she met and became the wife of Mr. Klingstedt. To them were born four children, namely: Veno W.; Paul T., who is professor of music in the Texas Christian University, at Fort Worth, Texas; Harry O., who is associated with his brother at Canton; and one who died in infancy.

Veno W. Klingstedt received his educational training in the public schools of Jamestown, New York, and the Moody Preparatory School, at Mount Hermon, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1907. He then began learning the printing trade with the Bergwall Printing Company, of Jamestown, completing his apprenticeship with the Sparrell Printing Company in Boston, Massachusetts. He followed his trade as a journeyman in various cities of the United States until 1910, when he came to Canton, where he has since resided. In the fall of 1912 he established the De Vinne Press and engaged in the commercial printing business, which he carried on successfully until 1920, having taken his brother, Harry O., into partnership in 1917. During that period they bought the plant of the Anchor Printing Company, running both until 1921, when they were merged into one business and incorporated under the name of Klingstedt Brothers Company. They conduct a general printing, publishing and lithographing business but specialize in the production of creative advertising matter, in which they have won a wide and well merited reputation. They have a modern plant, equipped with improved machinery and materials, utilize about eighteen thousand square feet of space and employ forty-five skilled workmen. Their business extends to many of the eastern states, and west as far as Illinois, much of their work coming from Chicago. Progressive and enterprising in their business methods, artistic and original in their ideas and taking keen pride in turning out only the highest quality of work, they are today numbered among the substantial and trustworthy business men

of Canton and command the confidence of all who have had dealings with them.

On October 18, 1913, in Spring Creek, Pennsylvania, Mr. Klingstedt was united in marriage to Miss Hazel M. Bates, who was born and reared at that place and is a daughter of Lon L. and Martha (Long) Bates, members of old and well known Warren county families. Mr. and Mrs. Klingstedt are the parents of three children: Ruth E., born August 18, 1914; Jean L., born November 29, 1916, and Marion B., February 19, 1919. In his political views Mr. Klingstedt is a staunch republican, while fraternally he is a member of Lathrop Lodge, No. 676, F. & A. M., and Stark Lodge, No. 513, I. O. O. F. He is also a member of the Masonic Club, the Orchard Hill Country Club, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, Ohio State Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Eastern Ohio Purchasing Agents. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton, in the work of which she takes a very active part, particularly in the missionary societies and the Sunday school. Mr. Klingstedt is a man of high ideals, to which he is faithful, stands for all that is best and most uplifting in the life of the community, and throughout the range of his acquaintance is respected and esteemed for his strong character, his consistent life and his agreeable and affable manner, whereby he has won many warm and loyal friends.

HARRY O. KLINGSTEDT

Among those whose interests and activities are contributing to Canton's commercial prosperity stands Harry O. Klingstedt, vice president, secretary and treasurer of the Klingstedt Brothers Company, owners of one of the leading printing establishments in this section of Ohio, and who has shown himself a man of distinctive business ability. Mr. Klingstedt was born in Jamestown, Chautauqua county, New York, October 4, 1892, and is a son of Lawrence John and Mathilda (Magnuson) Klingstedt. Detailed reference is made to the family history in the personal sketch of his brother, Veno W. Klingstedt, on other pages of this work.

Harry O. Klingstedt attended the public schools of Jamestown and when seventeen years of age became a salesman in a retail

jewelry store in Jamestown. Later he entered the Bank of Jamestown as assistant bookkeeper, continuing with that institution for three years, after which he became assistant cashier of the Pennsylvania Gas Company, at Jamestown, which position he filled for four years. As eastern representative for the Midland Linseed Products Company, he represented twelve states and forty warehouses, and maintained that connection until 1917, since which year he has been a resident of Canton. On coming to this city he entered into partnership with his brother, Veno W., in the printing business, under the name of the De Vinne Press, and later they acquired the plant of the Anchor Printing Company. In 1921 they consolidated the two plants and incorporated the business under the name of Klingstedt Brothers Company, of which Veno W. is president and Harry O. is vice president, secretary and treasurer. They do a general printing, publishing and lithographing business, have built up a large patronage and have gained a wide reputation as a reliable and progressive firm.

On June 10, 1925, in Lima, Ohio, Mr. Klingstedt was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Boose, a daughter of John M. and Roena (Fountain) Boose, of an old and prominent family of Lima. Mrs. Klingstedt's great-great-grandfather migrated from Pennsylvania to Lima in a very early day, making the journey on horseback and carrying his gold in his saddlebags. He became a pioneer merchant of Lima and was prominently and favorably known throughout that section of the state. Mrs. Klingstedt attended the public schools, graduating from high school, and later from the Emma Willard Academy, at Troy, New York. She takes a great interest in the Daughters of the King, a church society, and in the Child Conservation League. Mr. and Mrs. Klingstedt are the parents of a daughter, Janet Lenore, who was born February 5, 1927.

Mr. Klingstedt gives his political support to the republican party and fraternally is a member of Lathrop Lodge, No. 676, F. & A. M.; Western Sun Chapter, No. 63, R. A. M., at Jamestown, New York; Jamestown Commandery, No. 61, K. T.; Buffalo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Buffalo, New York; is an honorary member of Syria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E. He also belongs to the Canton Shrine Club, the Lakeside Shrine Club, the Rotary Club, the Canton Automobile Club, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, the Ohio Chamber of

Commerce, the Young Men's Christian Association and the American Red Cross Society. He and his wife are communicants of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church. He is a lover of outdoor sports and is popular in social circles. He is a public-spirited citizen of his community, in the welfare of which he is deeply interested, and all who know him hold him in high regard.

GEORGE B. INGRAM

George B. Ingram, president of the Red Raven Oil Company, of Canton, owes his success to his sound business judgment, his tireless energy and his excellent personal qualities, while his well deserved reputation for honorable dealing has been a large contributing element to his prosperity. Mr. Ingram was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 12, 1890, and is a son of Peter and Lottie (Acker) Ingram. His father was born in Scotland and on coming to this country located in Pittsburgh, where he resided until his tragic death, in 1895. He was superintendent of the Black Diamond Steel Company and was murdered during the labor troubles of that period. The mother was born in Pittsburgh, being a member of one of the old and well known families of that locality, and is now a resident of Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Ingram had two children, George B. and Lottie, who is the wife of Samuel Yaeger, of Ambridge, Beaver county, Pennsylvania.

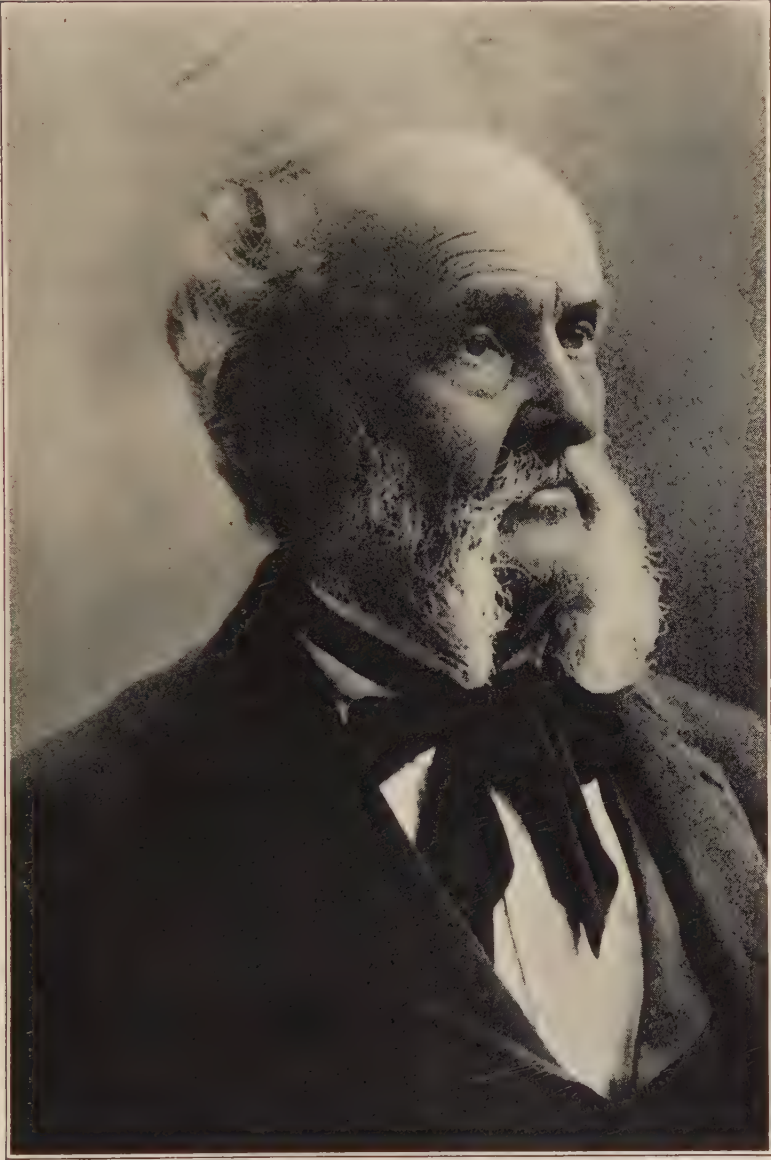
George B. Ingram was educated in the public schools of Pittsburgh and at the age of thirteen years started out to earn his livelihood. He worked for a while in the cooperage department of a refinery and later went to the Southwest, where he learned the oil refining business in Oklahoma and Texas, and was later employed as a traveling salesman for refined oils. In 1918 he came to Canton as eastern manager for the Wenger-Armstrong Petroleum Company, which position he filled until 1922, when he went to Warren, Pennsylvania, as general manager for the Pavana Oil Company, remaining there two and a half years, at the end of which time he went to Boston, Massachusetts, where he became connected with the Cities Service Refining Company, having charge of the refinery and the sales of lubricating oils. In November, 1926, Mr. Ingram returned to Canton and established an office

for Wenger & Company, of Chicago, petroleum brokers, of which he is still general manager. In June, 1927, Mr. Ingram organized and incorporated the Red Raven Oil Company, a close corporation, of which he is president and his wife, secretary and treasurer. The company operates three filling stations, at Fifteenth street and McKinley avenue southwest, 3217 Tuscarawas street west and 2735 Cleveland avenue north, while he also has a compounding plant at Fifteenth and McKinley. Mr. Ingram has a railroad spur track at the compounding plant, with facilities for eleven tank cars, operates four tank trucks and employs twenty-five people, while his investment in the properties and equipment amounts to about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. He gives high-grade service, characterized by promptness and courtesy, and his business is enjoying a steady and continuous growth.

On May 10, 1922, in Canton, Mr. Ingram was united in marriage to Miss Lydia Shetler, who was born in Beach City, Stark county, and is a daughter of John and Mary (Stough) Shetler, whose families have long been well known in Stark and Tuscarawas counties. Mr. Ingram is not affiliated with either of the great political parties, preferring to vote according to the dictates of his judgment as to men and measures, but gives his influence always in favor of those things which are calculated to advance public interests. He and his wife are members of Trinity Lutheran church. His chief diversion from business is baseball, of which he is a lover, and is the owner of the Red Raven Oil club of the Ohio-Pennsylvania League. He is a man of energetic and enterprising spirit, does thoroughly whatever he undertakes, and in the business circles of Canton is held in high regard, while, socially, he is deservedly popular among his associates and friends.

LEVI LESLIE LAMBORN, M. D.

No record bearing on the early history and development of Alliance would be complete without specific reference to the life and labors of Dr. Levi L. Lamborn, who was not only regarded as one of the ablest and most successful physicians of his day in northeastern Ohio, but whose business activities over a long period of years were of a character and magnitude that marked him as



DR. LEVI L. LAMBORN

one of the most progressive and influential citizens of the community.

Dr. Lamborn was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, on the 10th of October, 1829, and died at Alliance, Ohio, on the 14th of June, 1910. He was a son of Townsend and Anna (Clayton) Lamborn, and a grandson of Robert Lamborn, a native of England, who settled in Chester county, near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Townsend Lamborn was a whig politician of Chester county and held public office for many years. He was opposed to Freemasonry and at one time ran for governor of Pennsylvania on the anti-Masonic ticket. He owned land and a grist mill and was prominent in the affairs of his locality. Religiously he was a Quaker.

Levi L. Lamborn was the youngest in a family of the eleven children and when about eight years old came to Ohio, with some of his older brothers, locating near Salem, where, in conformity with the religious creed of his family, he was educated in the Friends school. From early boyhood he had entertained an ambition to devote his life to the practice of medicine and to this end, at the age of fifteen years, he began reading medicine under the supervision of Dr. Solomon Sleeve, of Damascus, Ohio. He attended two courses of lectures in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and a third in the medical department of Western Reserve College at Cleveland, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1849, when but twenty years of age. He located at Mount Union, where he practiced his profession for fifteen years, and in 1863 came to Alliance. He continued to practice here for three years longer, at the end of which time he retired from professional work in order to devote his attention to what seemed to him to be more important interests. He had been eminently successful as a physician, gaining a place in the very front rank of his profession in this section of the state.

In 1865, in company with others, Dr. Lamborn purchased two hundred and fifty acres of land near Alliance, which is now a part of the southern section of the city, and later, in partnership with Elisha Teetors and Hugh Blakely, under the firm name of Teetors, Lamborn & Company, laid out an addition of nine hundred and ninety lots. Thus he may well be regarded as one of the founders of Alliance. Teetors, Lamborn & Company secured for Alliance the location here of the division headquarters of the

Ohio & Pennsylvania Railroad, now a part of the Pennsylvania Railroad system, donating land for the shops and roundhouse, and also were liberal in making up the large cash bonus required by the railroad company. In 1870 Dr. Lamborn, in company with his associates, interested himself in securing the location at Alliance of the Manchard & Morgan Steam Hammer Works of Pittsburgh, now doing business under the name of the Morgan Engineering Company, and also induced other enterprises to locate here. The Doctor served as editor of the Alliance Ledger, which was founded in 1854 and was the first newspaper published in this city. In 1874 he engaged in private banking in connection with E. W. Gray, though for several years previously he had conducted an extensive loan and discount business, and in all of his affairs he proved a man of keen mentality, business sagacity and ripe judgment.

In June, 1851, Dr. Lamborn was united in marriage to Miss Maria Grant, a daughter of Stacey and Jemima (Rockhill) Grant. Her father and his brother John were among the earliest settlers of this part of Stark county, but for a few years, for fear of the Indians, they left their families in New Jersey. Stacey Grant entered a farm in Alliance and his brother entered a tract just back of him, on what is now known as West Main street. At that time the Indians were still troublesome, so much so that the brothers were frequently compelled to flee to Salem for safety. Later they sent for their families and spent the rest of their days in Alliance, where Stacey Grant had built the first log cabin in the wilderness. A blanket served in lieu of a door, and through it the bears and wolves chased the house dog with impunity. These two brothers were first cousins of General U. S. Grant.

Prior to the Civil war Dr. Lamborn was a republican in politics, but, possessing strongly conservative views, he became what was known as a union democrat. In 1858 he was a free-soil candidate for the state legislature and in the sessions of 1859-60 and 1860-61 he served as clerk of the Ohio house of representatives. In 1874 he was a candidate for state senator on the democratic ticket and in 1876 he was nominated for congress from the seventeenth Ohio district, being the opponent of William McKinley in the latter's first campaign. He was defeated by only 300 votes, and had he made an effort it is conceded he would have been elected. A short time prior to this Dr. Lamborn had imported the

first carnation brought to America and was greatly interested in the propagation of the new flower in his greenhouse. During this campaign, prior to their debates, Dr. Lamborn would invariably and courteously present Mr. McKinley with a carnation for a boutonniere, and the carnation eventually became McKinley's favorite flower. Dr. Lamborn was a public speaker of wonderful magnetic power and eloquence. At different times he served as a member of the board of trustees of the state asylum for the deaf and dumb, in which he was greatly interested and for which he freely gave of his time. He was affiliated with a number of medical societies and other organizations of the county and state, and his religious sympathies were with the Quaker church. He was a man of sterling rectitude of character, straightforward and outspoken in his relations with others, and held to an unfaltering faith in the future growth and development of Alliance and Stark county. He was widely known and most highly esteemed, and his death was regarded as a distinct loss to his community.

GEORGE EMANUEL MUNTZ

George E. Muntz, of Alliance, who is now retired from active commercial pursuits, was for many years engaged in the retail grocery business here, in which he not only won success, but also the confidence and respect of his patrons. He was born near North Lima, Mahoning county, Ohio, August 2, 1858, a son of George W. and Elizabeth (Elser) Muntz. His father was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, devoted his attention to farming during his active life, and died at North Lima, Ohio. He was a member of the Lutheran church, was an active supporter of the democratic party and served two terms as trustee of Beaver township. He was a son of George Muntz, who was a lifelong resident of Pennsylvania, his death occurring at Zelienople, Butler county, where he had followed the business of wagonmaking. He was a republican in politics and an earnest member of the Lutheran church. Elizabeth (Elser) Muntz was born at North Lima, Ohio, and was a daughter of John and Rebecca (Coblentz) Muntz. His father, who was a lifelong resident of Mahoning county, Ohio, followed farming and teaching. He was a Lutheran in his religious faith and voted the

democratic ticket. His wife also was a native of Mahoning county and died there.

George E. Muntz attended the public schools of North Lima and thereafter devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits until 1891, when he engaged in the retail grocery business in partnership with L. M. Barth, under the firm name of Barth & Muntz, at Liberty and Main streets, who carried the business on together for seventeen years, when Mr. Muntz sold his interest in the store and on February 29, 1908, opened a grocery store at 544 East Main street, Alliance. This proved a successful enterprise, which he conducted until March, 1928, when he closed out the business and retired. He is a director of the Midland Savings & Loan Company, a director of the Alliance Finance Company, and a director and president of the Alliance Delivery Company.

On November 4, 1890, at Petersburg, Ohio, Mr. Muntz was united in marriage to Miss Thressa Margaret Barth, who was born at that place, December 24, 1860, a daughter of Leonard Frederick and Catherine (Knesal) Barth, natives of Germany. Mr. Barth was for many years engaged in the retail shoe business in Petersburg, and later turned his attention to farming. He was a democrat and a member of the Lutheran church. His death occurred in Alliance, at the age of eighty-two years, and his wife passed away in Petersburg in January, 1889, at the age of sixty-six years. Mrs. Muntz, who received her educational training in the public schools of Petersburg, is a member of the missionary society of her church, the Alliance Women's Club, the Mt. Union College Women's Club and the Young Women's Christian Association. She has always been interested in the welfare of her community and during the war took an active part in the various Red Cross drives. She has two brothers, William Barth, of Riverside, California, and Charles L. Barth, of Poland, Ohio, and a sister, Clara, who is the wife of William F. Houck, of Alliance. Mr. Muntz had a brother, William Henry Muntz, who died at Lima, Ohio, leaving a widow, Malinda (Feicht) Muntz, and a son, Morris, and two daughters, Edna and Mrs. Austa McCullough; and a living brother, James Monroe, a retired contractor and builder of Lima, Ohio, who married Miss Celesta Haas.

Mr. Muntz has been a lifelong supporter of the democratic party and has been active in advancing the various interests of Alliance. He was a leader in the promotion of the various local

war measures, including the Liberty Loan drives. He belongs to Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M., and Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian church and he is president of the board of trustees. He has endeavored to do his full duty in all the relations of life, has been true to the highest ideals, and among his acquaintances commands unqualified confidence and respect.

CLAYTON C. HAULK, D. D. S.

Dr. Clayton C. Haulk has won recognition as one of the skilled and reliable dentists of Canton and commands a large and growing patronage, while his excellent personal qualities have gained for him the good will of all who have come in contact with him. He was born in Lima, Allen county, Ohio, on the 13th of February, 1900, and is a son of Edward M. and Minnie (Wise) Haulk. His father, who was born in Pawnee, Ohio, and represents an old Pennsylvania Dutch family long established in the Keystone state, is now engaged in the automobile business in Canton, where he has resided since 1904. He is a member of the First United Brethren church. His wife was born in Lodi, Medina county, this state, and is of English ancestry.

Clayton C. Haulk, the only child born to his parents, attended the public schools of Canton, graduating in 1919 from the McKinley high school in the first class to complete a full year there, as the school was opened in the spring of 1918. He then entered the dental school of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, in 1925. He at once opened an office in Canton and engaged in the practice of his profession. He has a nicely furnished and well equipped office and has made very satisfactory progress in building up a practice. He is a member of the Stark County Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association.

On October 5, 1925, in Wellsburg, West Virginia, Dr. Haulk was united in marriage to Miss Irene Rothacher, a daughter of Albert and Laura (Snyder) Rothacher, the former a native of Switzerland. Dr. and Mrs. Haulk are the parents of a son, Ronald

Jean, born August 8, 1926. The family reside at 1012 Ninth street northwest, while the Doctor's office is in the Lind building. Politically he is independent, voting according to the dictates of his judgment, regardless of party lines. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., and belongs to the Civitan Club and the Psi Omega college fraternity. He and his wife are members of the First United Brethren church, to which they give generous support. The Doctor stands for those things which are really worth while in life, supporting all measures for the betterment of the community, and is regarded as well worthy of confidence and respect.

WILSON HAWKINS

One of the prominent figures in the educational circles of eastern Ohio is Wilson Hawkins, who for the past ten years has rendered a high type of service as superintendent of the public schools of Canton. A man of thorough education, high ideals and clear-headed judgment, his administration of the schools has been marked by steady advancement in all departments and he commands to a marked degree the respect and admiration of the people of this city. Mr. Hawkins was born in Kensington, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 14th of May, 1874, and is a son of William and Elizabeth (Bettis) Hawkins. His father, who was of English descent, was born in 1826, at Hanoverton, Ohio, and his mother, who was of Scotch-Irish ancestry, was born in 1837, in Augusta, Ohio.

Wilson Hawkins acquired his early education in country and village schools, after which he attended Mount Union and Scio colleges, from both of which he received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. He has also taken postgraduate work at Columbia University. In 1892 Mr. Hawkins began teaching, having charge of country schools for three years, after which he was superintendent and principal of the schools at Unionport, Ohio, for five years. He was at the head of the schools at Mingo Junction for nine years, was for three years superintendent of the schools at Bellaire, followed by seven years in the same capacity at Newark, and in 1918 came to his present position as superintendent of the schools of Canton. His record here has stamped him as a man of unusual

ability and special qualifications for his life work and his achievements here have excited much favorable comment.

In 1897, at Unionport, Ohio, Mr. Hawkins was united in marriage to Miss Nettie Maxwell, a daughter of Charles P. and Margaret (Keller) Maxwell, the former a native of Jefferson county, Ohio, and the latter of Carroll county, Ohio, and both are now deceased. Mrs. Hawkins is a member of the Sorosis Club, a director of the Canton Women's Club and is prominent in church, social and civic activities. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins have two daughters, Lou Ella, who is the wife of Herbert D. Buker, of Canton, and Margaret Elizabeth, at home. Mr. Hawkins gives his political support to the republican party and during the years of his residence here has shown a readiness to cooperate with his fellowmen in all movements for the promotion of community interests. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Rotary Club, the Lakeside Shrine Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Ohio State Teachers Association, of which he is a past president, and the National Education Association. He and his wife are earnest members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Hawkins is vice president of the Home Builders Savings Association of Canton. Because of his earnest life, high attainments, well rounded character and broad influence, he commands the confidence of his fellowmen and is regarded as one of his city's representative men.

WALTER SEAY LANGFORD

One of Canton's most efficient and best known hotel men is Walter S. Langford, manager of the Courtland and McKinley Hotels, which, under his able supervision, are enjoying a remarkable measure of popularity with the traveling public. He is a man of wide experience in this line of business, for which he is in every respect well qualified, and commands the respect of all who come in contact with him. Mr. Langford was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on the 25th of March, 1872, and is a son of Lawson Bedford and Elizabeth Elinor (Seay) Langford, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Virginia. His maternal grandmother was Laura Boardman Wadsworth, a native of Connecticut.

Mr. Langford received a good education and early in life became identified with the hotel business, in which he received thorough, practical training, and since 1898 has served continuously as a manager, operating hotels in Pueblo, Colorado; Bloomington, Illinois; Baltimore, Maryland; and Canton, Ohio. Possessing high ideals and sound judgment, he gives his close attention to the welfare and comfort of his guests and maintains his hotels at the highest possible standard of efficient service.

On December 25, 1895, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Langford was united in marriage to Miss Edna Elizabeth Marshall, whose paternal grandfather was a native of Virginia. Cordial and friendly in manner, Mr. Langford enjoys a wide acquaintance and has a large circle of loyal friends throughout the city.

THEODORE MATHIAS DUBS

In the industrial circles of Stark county, the Canton Pattern Company of which Theodore M. Dubs is the president and general manager, is held in high repute—in fact, the firm has gained a national reputation because of the high quality of its work and its ability to successfully handle jobs of unusual size. Mr. Dubs, who has been the moving spirit in the enterprise from its beginning, is an expert pattern-maker and his success has been gained through his industry, perseverance and sound judgment. Born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, on the 8th day of January, 1877, he is a son of Mathias and Josephine (Gully) Dubs, both of whom were natives of Alsace-Lorraine, and of the purest French stock, and both are now deceased. On the paternal side Mr. Dubs's ancestors cultivated vineyards and were wine producers, and his maternal grandfather served as overseer of a wire factory, in which the wire was made by hand. Both grandfathers served in the French army under Napoleon.

Theodore M. Dubs was reared at home and attended the public schools at Kirchberg Alsace-Lorraine, until 1893, when, at the age of sixteen years, he emigrated to the United States, coming direct to Canton, Ohio. Soon after arriving here he went to work for the Canton Bridge Company, learning the trade of pattern-making, and, after completing his apprenticeship in 1896, followed that line

of work in various Canton shops for about one year. He then went to Chicago, Illinois, where he was employed at his trade in the plant of the Allis Chalmers Company for one year, at the end of which time he returned to Canton and went to work for the C. Altman Company. In 1898 he established a pattern shop of his own, which he operated under the name of the Dubs Pattern Works, and, through his close attention to his business and the production of only the highest quality of work, realized a very satisfactory measure of success. His business increased steadily and in 1919 he organized and incorporated the Canton Pattern Company, of which he became president and general manager, and the concern has taken its place among the leading firms in its line in this part of the country. Patterns of all sizes and descriptions are made and, in July, 1926, this plant produced one of the largest patterns ever made, being a housing pattern for the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. The company also operates a foundry department, in which are made gray iron and semi-steel castings, and in this line has been more than ordinarily successful, supplying such customers as the Timken Roller Bearing Company, the Central Alloy Steel Corporation, and the Griscom Russell Company.

On June 23, 1903, in St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Canton, Mr. Dubs was united in marriage to Miss Emma Edna Sohnlein, who was born in this city, March 29, 1883, and is a daughter of Peter and Anna Sohnlein, both natives of Alsace-Lorraine. Mr. and Mrs. Dubs are the parents of five children, as follows: Mildred M., born May 11, 1904, is the wife of Ralph A. Paul, of Cleveland; LeRoy C., born December 25, 1907, is attending St. Mary's seminary in Cleveland, where he will complete his collegiate course in preparation for the priesthood in 1934; Luella H., born October 20, 1909, is assistant secretary of the Canton Pattern & Manufacturing Company and private secretary to her father; Jeanette A., born June 1, 1911, is taking her junior high school course in Notre Dame Academy in Cleveland; Glenn T., born April 10, 1913, is a freshman at St. Peter's, in Canton.

In his political views Mr. Dubs is a liberal democrat and, though a busy man, he has taken a deep interest in public affairs, giving his support to all measures for the improvement and progress of his community. He is a member of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, Canton council of the Knights of Columbus and

the Willowdale Club and he and his family are members of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church of Canton. Mr. Dubs is essentially a self-made man, having begun his career in this country at the bottom of the ladder, and his success is but the legitimate outcome of his determined and well directed efforts. He is a man of keen business discernment and ripe judgment, who in all of his business affairs has followed the most honorable methods, and he has therefore gained the confidence and respect of all who have had dealings with him, while his excellent personal qualities have won him many warm and loyal friends.

OSCAR EDWIN BARKEY

Under the able management of Oscar E. Barkey, the Pure Milk Company of Canton has enjoyed a splendid growth during the past few years and is now one of the important and prosperous dairy concerns of Stark county. Mr. Barkey is a native of Stark county, born on the 8th of April, 1894, and is a son of Jacob S. and Opal Grace (Pfouts) Barkey. His paternal grandfather, Isaac Barkey, was a veteran of the Civil war. His wife, Mary Newcomber, was a native of Pennsylvania and both died in Holmes county, Ohio,

O. E. Barkey was educated in the district school at Pilot Knob, Nimishillen township, Stark county, and then spent three years on the home farm with his father, who then purchased a milk route, which the son ran until he had attained his majority, in April, 1915, when he bought the route from his father and ran it until 1917. In that year he and his father bought the Model Dairy, at 1216 Oxford avenue northwest, which controlled two milk routes, and they carried on that business until April 1, 1923, at which time Mr. Barkey organized a stock company, bought the Ideal Dairy Company and merged all the routes under the name of the Pure Milk Company, of which he is vice president, secretary, treasurer and general manager. Under his supervision the volume of business has grown from one hundred quarts daily to twelve thousand five hundred and fifty-six quarts daily, as of January 1, 1928, in addition to which the company also handles a general line of dairy products, in which it has built up a large business. Mr. Barkey



OSCAR E. BARKEY

has given close attention to the trade and is a man of keen business instincts, and a judicious manager, who adheres to the highest commercial ethics, so that he commands the respect and good will of his patrons. He is a member of the Ohio Milk Dealers Association and the International Association of Milk Dealers.

On June 20, 1916, in Canton, Rev. Recard pronounced the words that united Mr. Barkey and Miss Golden Oneida Truby, who was born at Justice, Ohio, June 20, 1891, and to them have been born two children, Charity June, born March 8, 1920, and now attending school, and Gloria Marie, born December 6, 1922. Mrs. Barkey is a member of the Pythian Sisters. In his political views Mr. Barkey is a stanch republican. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; Lily Lodge, No. 362, K. P.; the Optimist Club of Canton; the United Commercial Travelers, the Orchard Hills Country Club and the Sippo Lake Club. He and his wife are members of the First Congregational church, to which they give their earnest support, and are interested in everything that affects the welfare and progress of their city and county. Mr. Barkey is a man of affable and friendly manner and all who know him hold him in the highest measure of respect.

CLARENCE J. HOSTETTER

One of the important factors in the development and upbuilding of Massillon in recent years has been Clarence J. Hostetter, who has met with notable success as a constructor and real estate man. He has shown a progressive and enterprising spirit which has enabled him to accomplish much, and he stands among the community's most valuable and highly esteemed citizens.

Mr. Hostetter has been a life long resident of Massillon, where his birth occurred on the 4th of November, 1881, and is a son of David Franklin and Rachel D. (Huff) Hostetter, the former of whom is deceased. He received his educational training in the public schools of the city and later was a salesman for several years. On his father's death, in 1915, he took over the latter's general construction business, which he has carried on to the present time. Since 1920 Mr. Hostetter has also engaged in the real estate business, specializing in the development of sub-

divisions, and among the large allotment holdings which he has successfully handled are Sippo Heights and East Sippo Heights, both of which are exceptionally fine districts. In October, 1924, the C. J. Hostetter Corporation was formed, of which Mr. Hostetter is president and treasurer, and he is also secretary and general manager of the Hy-Grade Realty Company, and secretary and treasurer of the Massillon Industrial Foundation, Inc. In 1927 he erected the splendid new office building at 716 Main street, which stands as a monument to his enterprising methods and up-to-date ideas.

On June 1, 1923, Mr. Hostetter was united in marriage to Miss Emma C. Brewer, of Middletown, Butler county, Ohio. He is a staunch republican in politics and has shown a good citizen's interest in everything relating to the prosperity and welfare of his city and county. He is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Massillon Chamber of Commerce. A keen and discriminating business man, thorough and painstaking in everything he undertakes, he has met with well deserved prosperity, and his record has gained for him the sincere respect and confidence of his fellowmen.

CHARLES G. KING

One of Massillon's most important financial institutions is the First Savings & Loan Company, of which Charles G. King is president. He has been with this institution continuously for thirty-seven years and has been a valuable factor in its splendid growth and success, being recognized throughout the community as a keen and capable business man, of sound and dependable judgment.

Mr. King was born on a farm in Pike township, Stark county, on the 14th of September, 1866, and is a son of Valentine and Mary D. (Swihart) King, the former of whom was a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Ohio. The father became an expert accountant and engaged in the warehouse and lumber business for many years, his death occurring in 1883. Charles G. King secured his educational training in the public schools of Massillon and then learned the printing trade in the office of the

Massillon Independent, with which he remained for five years, when he turned his attention to the real estate business, in which he engaged two years. In May, 1891, he entered the First Savings & Loan Company as secretary, serving in that capacity until 1926, when he was elected president. This is one of the old and substantial institutions of Stark county and has had a splendid record, contributing in a very definite measure to the prosperity and welfare of the city and vicinity.

On December 12, 1894, Mr. King married Miss Josephine Willenborg, who was born and reared in Massillon, and they are the parents of a daughter, Louise, who is at home. Mr. King has always been an active supporter of the republican party and has twice represented Stark county in the state legislature, in which body he served with credit and ability. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, belonging to all branches of the order. Because of his recognized business ability, his straightforward and consistent life and his excellent personal qualities, he commands to a marked degree the confidence and respect of his fellowmen and has a large circle of warm and loyal friends.

JOHN O. ELLIS

One of the long-established and reliable plumbing concerns of Alliance is that of Ellis & McDonald, which for a third of a century has handled a large share of the business in its line in the city. The senior partner of the firm, John O. Ellis, came into the business with many years of practical experience and has long been recognized as an expert, his knowledge and judgment being of great value to his customers, whose confidence he commands to a marked degree.

Mr. Ellis was born at New Philadelphia, Ohio, on the 14th of December, 1867, and is a son of George W. and Phoebe (Geodel) Ellis. The father was born in Pennsylvania, June 29, 1844, and died in Cleveland, Ohio, April 22, 1923. He was a machinist by trade and commanded the respect of all who knew him. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served from 1861 to 1865 as a member of the Fifty-first Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. At one time he was town marshal of New Philadelphia and also chief

engineer of the fire department. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born on the Rhine, in Germany, June 7, 1846, and died in Cleveland, July 19, 1910.

John O. Ellis secured his educational training in public and night schools in Cleveland, and his first job was as a cash boy for the E. I. Baldwin & Hatch Company, of Cleveland, where he was advanced to the position of stock boy. When fourteen years of age he apprenticed himself to learn the plumbing trade and followed that vocation for fifteen years. On June 15, 1895, he came to Alliance and formed a partnership with W. J. McDonald, under the firm name of Ellis & McDonald, establishing a plumbing shop next door to where they are now located. In April, 1928, the business was incorporated under the same name, John O. Ellis becoming president and Howard Ellis, vice president. In every way they are equipped for all kinds of work in their line and by their prompt and efficient service have gained an enviable reputation for absolute dependability.

In March, 1889, in Cleveland, Mr. Ellis was united in marriage to Miss Mary Swearingen, who was born in Wellsville, Ohio, March 17, 1866, and is a daughter of George W. and Sadie (Brooks) Swearingen. Her father, who was a native of this state and died in Cleveland, was for many years an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He served nine months in the Union army during the Civil war and was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born near Wellsville, Ohio, and died in Cleveland. Mrs. Ellis, who received her education in the public schools of Cleveland, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and belongs to the Pythian Sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis have a son, Howard E., who was born November 1, 1894. He was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1913 and attended Mount Union College two years, after which he entered the dental school of Western Reserve University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1918. He practiced his profession for two years in Alliance and two years in Florida, but is now associated with his father as vice president of the company in the plumbing business. On June 12, 1926, he married Miss Verna L. Weed, of Detroit, Michigan. He is a member of J. E. McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M., and Alliance chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.

Mr. Ellis maintains an independent attitude in politics, voting

for the candidates whom he believes to be qualified for the offices they seek, regardless of political lines, and has thus shown the right interest in the public welfare. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Alliance Country Club, while religiously he is an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a good citizen, standing for all that is best in the life of the community, and extends his influence in favor of those measures which are calculated to advance the public welfare. Because of his honorable business record, as well as for his excellent personal traits, he is held in high esteem by all who know him.

CHARLES E. SCHWORM

Charles E. Schworm has long been numbered among Massillon's most enterprising business men, being one of the owners of an up-to-date grocery store at 43 Main street east. His success has been founded on right principles and honorable methods, and he has shown himself well worthy of the high place which he holds in public esteem.

Mr. Schworm was born in Massillon on the 21st of January, 1867, and is a son of Nicholas and Caroline (Snyder) Schworm, the former of whom was a native of Germany, and both of whom are deceased. He received his educational training in the public schools of his home city and then entered the Albright Brothers grocery store, where he learned all the details of the business, remaining with that concern until 1900, when he engaged in the grocery business on his own account. From that time he has made steady and continuous progress and now, in partnership with Albert W. and John F. Tschan, owns one of the leading groceries of Massillon. They carry a complete line of staple and fancy groceries, have a well arranged and attractive store, and courteous, prompt and efficient service has gained for them the patronage of the representative people of the city.

Mr. Schworm is a republican in his political alignment and has always lived up to his obligations as a citizen of one of the most progressive sections of Stark county. He is an earnest mem-

ber of St. John's Protestant Episcopal church and gives generous support to all worthy benevolent causes. He commands the respect and good will of all who know him.

JOHN H. WIBLE, D. D. S.

Dr. John H. Wible has been numbered among Canton's dentists for forty years, during which period he has not only enjoyed a large and remunerative practice, but has commanded the respect and friendship of all who have come in contact with him. The Doctor was born in Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Ohio, February 15, 1862, and is a son of William E. and Elizabeth (Truxal) Wible. His father was born at Greensburg, October 3, 1827, followed farming and stock raising, and died in his native county October 3, 1889. He was of German descent, his family having originally come from near Frankfort, Germany. The mother was born near Greensburg, Pennsylvania, July 10, 1834, and died in that city, May 27, 1925, at the age of ninety-one years. Her family came from near the Holland line in Germany and four generations have lived in this country. To Mr. and Mrs. Wible were born thirteen children, ten sons and three daughters, of whom seven sons and one daughter are living.

John H. Wible, who was the seventh in order of birth, secured his early education in the public schools of his native county, after which he attended the Greensburg Seminary. He remained on his father's farm until twenty years of age, after which he taught school for four terms, and then took a course in Duff's Business College, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He next entered the dental school of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, in 1886. He engaged in the practice of his profession in Greensburg in association with his former preceptor, Dr. Waugaman, with whom he remained until July 12, 1888, when he came to Canton and here has been engaged in the practice of dentistry to the present time, his office being at 105 High avenue southwest. He has a well equipped and nicely furnished office and his consideration, courtesy and skill have gained for him a splendid reputation as an operating dentist.

On October 1, 1925, in Canton, Mr. Wible was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Reed, who was born at Bethel, Ohio, and is a daughter of Hillis U. and Anastacia Reed, well known in that locality. Mrs. Wible is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Canton Women's Club. Dr. Wible is a republican in his political affiliation, while fraternally he belongs to Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., and is a life member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E. He is a member of the Canton Club and the Brookside Country Club, and his religious connection is with Trinity Reformed church, of which he is a generous supporter. During the World war he served as a member of the district advisory board, hearing the appeal cases of six counties, and received letters from President Wilson and Governor Cox, commending him for his faithful and efficient service. He is a member of the Canton Dental Society, the Stark County Dental Society, of which he was one of the organizers and the first president, the Northern Ohio Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. Because of his excellent professional record, his public-spirited interest in his community and his substantial personal qualities, he is held in high esteem throughout the city which is honored by his citizenship.

CARL A. SINCLAIR

Carl A. Sinclair is one of the most prominent figures in the public amusement business in Stark county, being manager of the Myers Lake Park Company and president of the Sinclair Amusement Company. His earnest and successful efforts along that line have been greatly appreciated by the thousands who have patronized the interests which he represents. Mr. Sinclair was born in Hanoverton, Columbiana county, Ohio, March 28, 1893, and is a son of George and Clara U. (Grimm) Sinclair, the former born at Hanoverton, Ohio, and the latter at West Alexander, Washington county, Pennsylvania. His maternal grandmother was a Carroll, of the noted Virginia family of that name, a member of which was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Carl A. Sinclair attended grammar school in Hanoverton and

graduated from the high school at East Liverpool, Ohio, in 1911. He spent two years in the study of structural engineering at Carnegie Technical Institute, in Pittsburgh, and in 1913 became associated with his father in the amusement business. Later he entered the employ of the Timken Roller Bearing Company, with which he remained until the United States became involved in the World war, when he enlisted in the Three Hundred and Thirty-second Regiment, which became a part of the Eighty-third Division. He was in training at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and was sent overseas, sailing from New Jersey and landing at Southampton, England. He crossed the channel to Le Havre, France, and was in training for six weeks at Ageville. He was then sent to Italy, where, on the Piave river, he took part in the final drive of the Italian army against the Austrians, known as the battle of Vittorio Venita. After the signing of the Armistice he was sent to Dalmatia on occupation duty for six months, after which he returned to Italy and embarked for home. After a short stay in New Jersey, he was ordered to Camp Sherman, where he was honorably discharged. In the spring of 1919 he joined his father in business in Cincinnati, Ohio, remaining in that city part of the time, the remainder of his time being spent in traveling. He has been a resident of Canton since 1915, and for a number of years has been identified with the Myers Lake Park Company, of which he was secretary until 1928, when he was made manager, being now in charge of one of the finest and most popular amusement parks in the state of Ohio.

On December 12, 1923, in Akron, Ohio, Mr. Sinclair was united in marriage to Miss Marjorie Smith, who was born at Washington Court House, Ohio, and is a daughter of Peter J. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair are the parents of a son, George, born September 21, 1927. The republican party has always claimed Mr. Sinclair's allegiance, while fraternally he is a member of McKinley Lodge, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council, No. 35, R. & S. M.; and Canton Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; while in the Scottish Rite he belongs to Emeth Lodge of Perfection, Mystic Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, Brenton Chapter of the Rose Croix and Cleveland Consistory. He is also a member of Tadmor Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Akron. He belongs to the American Legion, the Forty and Eight, the Lions Club, the Lakeside Shrine Club and the Canton Uni-

versity Club. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Hanoverton, Ohio. A man of high ideals, he has been true and loyal in every relation of life, exemplifying in his career the best type of citizenship, and throughout the range of his acquaintance commands respect and confidence.

PATRICK E. McALLISTER

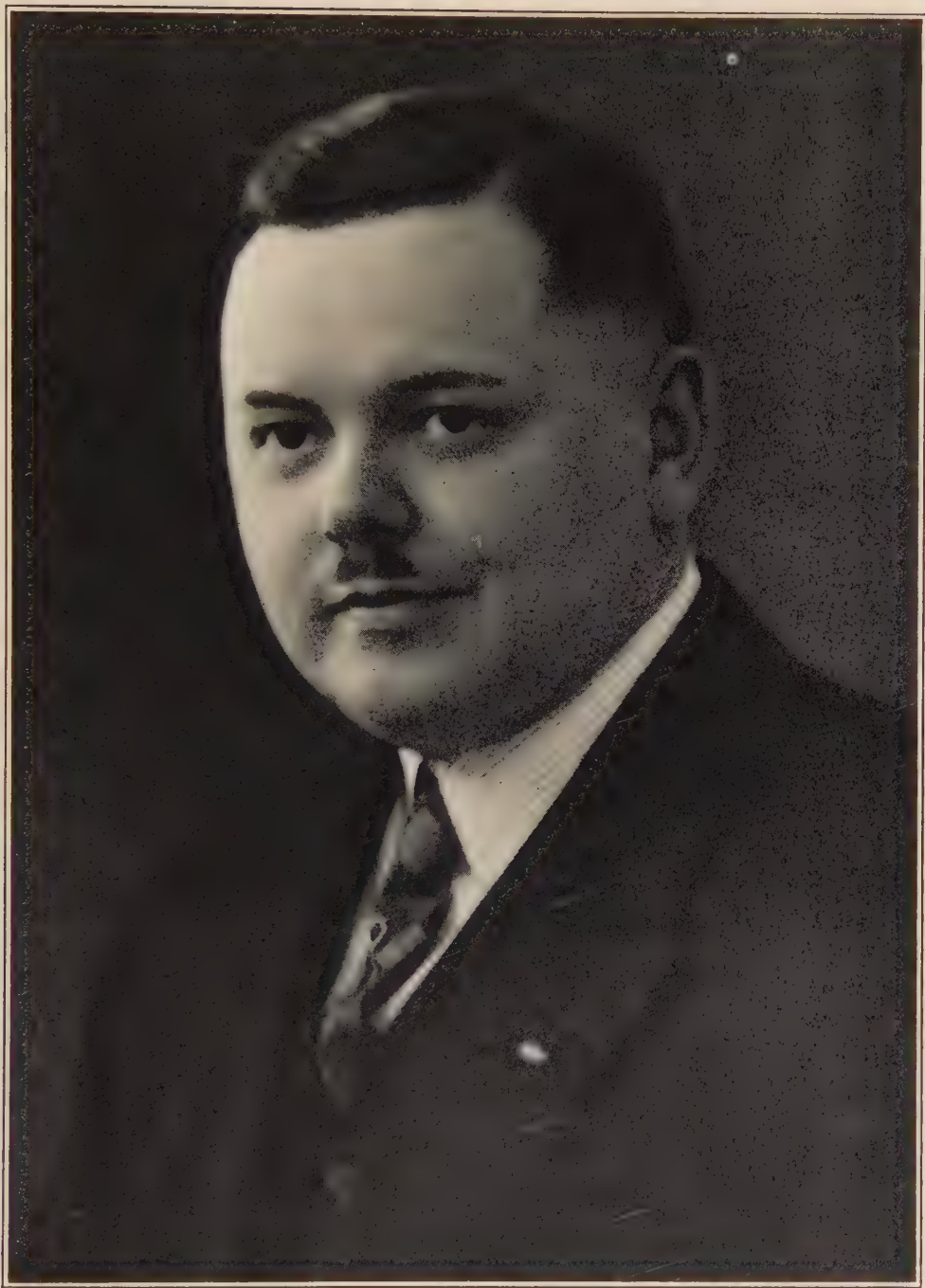
Patrick E. McAllister bears one of the best known names in Massillon, where for a number of years he bore a high reputation as an athlete, while in more recent years he has become equally well known as an enterprising and successful business man, being president of the P. E. McAllister Company. He was born in Ithaca, New York, on the 25th of February, 1882, and is a son of Patrick and Catherine (Handlen) McAllister, both of whom are deceased. He attended the public schools of his home city, graduating from high school, and later entered Cornell University. While a student in that institution he played on the varsity football team and became a nationally known player, regarded as one of the best half-backs in the country. He came to Massillon for the purpose of playing professional football on the noted team of this place, of which he was a member for two years, after which he served as football coach at Jefferson College, New Orleans, for two years. Going then to Barberton, Summit county, Ohio, he entered the employ of O. C. Barber, one of the most noted pioneers of that locality, and until the latter's death he was in charge of what was known as the Anna Dean farm. While at Barberton, Mr. McAllister played professional football one year with the Akron Indians, and also was coach and captain of the Canal Dover Giants for two years. While at Barberton, Mr. McAllister bought a number of farms and later was engaged in the real estate business in Akron for four years. In 1921 he came to Massillon again and has since been closely identified with the real estate development of this city and vicinity, under the firm name of the P. E. McAllister Company. He is also secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Massillon Mortgage Company.

On August 5, 1908, Mr. McAllister was united in marriage to Miss Agatha Boerner, of Massillon, and they are the parents of a

son, Patrick Edward, Jr. The republican party receives Mr. McAllister's support and since coming to this city he has shown a deep interest in everything concerning its welfare and progress. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Knights of Columbus and the Young Men's Christian Association, and his religious connection is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, in which he is a member of the industrial committee; the Massillon Real Estate Board and the National Real Estate Association. Though Mr. McAllister no longer plays football, he maintains a constant interest in outdoor sports, and is a firm believer in physical culture, keeping himself in good trim by daily gymnasium work. He possesses a splendid personality, easily makes friends and throughout the community in which he lives he commands uniform respect.

RALPH L. RUTLEDGE, M. D.

Among the distinguished and successful physicians of Alliance stands Dr. Ralph L. Rutledge, whose professional ability, particularly in the field of orthopedic surgery, has gained for him wide recognition in medical circles and has enabled him to build up a large practice. He was born at Augusta, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 15th of September, 1892, and is a son of Daniel Howard and Eugenia (Leyda) Rutledge. His paternal grandparents were William and Harriet (DeFord) Rutledge, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania and the latter in Ohio, and both died in Augusta. William Rutledge followed the undertaking business for many years and was a man of prominence and influence in his community. He belonged to the Presbyterian church and was an active supporter of the democratic party, being an effective public speaker and frequently debating political questions with William McKinley. Daniel Howard Rutledge was born in Augusta, Ohio, and now resides in Alliance, where he is sales manager for the Royal Candy Company. He is a member of the First Presbyterian church and is a stanch democrat in politics. His wife was born at Pattersonville, Ohio, and is a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Tillet) Leyda, both of whom are deceased, her father dying in Patterson-



DR. RALPH L. RUTLEDGE

ville and her mother in McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Mr. Leyda was a farmer and sheep raiser, and belonged to the Presbyterian church.

Ralph L. Rutledge was graduated from the McKeesport (Pennsylvania) high school in 1910, and then entered the University of Pittsburgh, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1914, after which he matriculated in the medical school of that institution and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1916. He took post graduate work at the Harvard Medical School and the New York Orthopedic Hospital, and served one year as interne in the Alleghany General Hospital. He then offered his services to the government and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical corps, being stationed successively at Boston, Massachusetts; Houston, Texas; and Allentown, Pennsylvania. He was ordered overseas and served with Base Hospital 114 at Bean Desert, near Bordeaux, France, and later at Paris and Chateau Thierry. He was honorably discharged from the service in June, 1919, at Camp Dix, New Jersey, with the rank of captain. He at once located in Alliance, establishing an office in the Alliance Bank building, where he remained until January 1, 1926, when he moved to the City Savings Bank, where he has well equipped and nicely furnished offices. While engaged in general practice in medicine and surgery, the Doctor specializes in orthopedic surgery, in which important branch he has achieved splendid results. He is a member of the staff of the Alliance City Hospital.

Dr. Rutledge has been married twice, first, on April 27, 1921, to Miss Grace A. Gaul, who was born June 21, 1892, in Washington, Pennsylvania, and died in Alliance, Ohio, September 11, 1924, two days after the birth of a son, Ralph L., Jr. She was a daughter of Frank B. and Ida (Knox) Gaul, the latter of whom was born at Claysville, Pennsylvania. Mr. Gaul, now vice president of the Washington Observer Company, was born in Washington, is a republican in politics, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. On October 10, 1925, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Dr. Rutledge married Miss Anne Stanier, whose sketch follows this.

The Doctor is a republican in his political affiliation and is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery No. 67, K. T.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. He and

his wife are members of the Presbyterian church and support all worthy benevolent or charitable enterprises. The Doctor maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society and is a fellow of the American Medical Association. He not only possesses adroit professional ability but also that sincere human sympathy that actuates him in his labors in behalf of suffering humanity. He is kindly and affable in manner and since coming to Alliance has won a host of loyal friends, who esteem him for his genuine worth as a physician and man.

ANNE STANIER-RUTLEDGE

Alliance is justly proud to number among her residents the gifted artiste, Anne Stanier-Rutledge, American mezzo-contralto of wide renown. A native daughter of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, she was born March 11, 1894, to the marriage of John T. and Emma (Fidler) Stanier, the former a native of Scotland and the latter of McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Her father is now general manager of the West Penn Steel Company at Tarentum, that state. He is a republican in politics and a consistent member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Anne Stanier was educated in private schools and is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. She was a pupil of Wheat, Brenner, Brockett, Miller and Charles A. White of Boston, later coaching with Richard Hageman in New York city. Gifted with a contralto voice whose quality and range critics praise most highly, she has been soloist in prominent churches of Boston, Pittsburgh and elsewhere, as well as soloist with the Mozart Choral Club of Pittsburgh and the Boston Symphony Orchestra in Boston.

Following one of her concerts in Atlantic City, The Press said: "Mrs. Rutledge sang her two groups with true interpretation, especially the French group and 'The Curfew' by Chadwick, which seemed to exactly suit her beautiful mezzo-contralto voice. Admirable poise and assurance, reflecting a wonderful personality, added an indescribable charm to the musical ability of her work that was quite irresistible. An artist must be at least unfeeling who could



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refuse encores after the appreciation expressed at the close of her second group." The following is an excerpt from an article which appeared in the Alliance Review under date of March 13, 1928: "Mrs. Rutledge made her first appearance in concert here last night as a benefit for the Alliance Y. W. C. A. and the performance was a distinct success from every angle. The Alliance contralto has made many appearances in social and musical circles since coming to Alliance about three years ago, but last night's concert was the crowning glory of her local popularity. * * * The concert was a source of gratification to the 'Y', to the music lovers of Alliance and to Mrs. Rutledge herself. The treasury of the Y. W. C. A. is richer by a considerable sum; the audience is richer by an evening of fine musical entertainment, the memory of which will linger a long, long time; and Mrs. Rutledge is richer by a wealth of friendly admiration and appreciation."

Since Anne Stanier became the wife of Dr. Ralph L. Rutledge, in 1925, she has resided at 606 South Union avenue in Alliance and has been much in demand as a teacher of voice. She has served for two years as president of the Mount Union College Woman's Club and is also president of the Alliance Music Study Club and fraternally is affiliated with the Mu Phi Epsilon, an honorary musical fraternity, and the Order of the Eastern Star. She is also a member of the Women's Civic Club and the MacDowell Music Club of Canton.

HERMAN AUGUSTUS BLOCH

Herman A. Bloch, a native son of Stark county, is numbered among Canton's progressive and successful business men, being the owner of a prosperous wholesale rubber business. He was born near Navarre, in Bethlehem township, on the 23d of March, 1880, and is a son of Augustus and Bertha (Bitticker) Bloch, both of whom were born in Switzerland, the father on August 28, 1843, and the mother June 7, 1844. In 1868 they left their homes in Canton Solothurn and came to the United States, settling first in Cleveland, where their marriage occurred in 1869. Soon afterwards they moved to Navarre, Ohio, where they lived for four years, and then again lived in Cleveland for the same length of

time, finally returning to Navarre, where Mr. Bloch engaged in stonemason contracting, doing county work principally. His death occurred March 21, 1912, and he is survived by his widow, who now resides at 825 Seventh street northwest, in Canton. Two of their daughters also live in Canton. Bertha, born August 20, 1875, at Navarre, was a dressmaker at that place for awhile, later followed the same business in Canton, in 1908 became a saleslady for the Homer Miller Company, was afterwards with Zollingers, and for several years has been with the Seitner Company. She is a member of St. John's Roman Catholic church and belongs to the Altar Society and the Ladies Sodality. Rose, born at Navarre, February 3, 1878, served for four years as postmistress at Navarre and later was for sixteen years in charge of the office of W. R. Zollinger & Company, after which she became associated in the same capacity with the Seitner Company, with which she still remains. She is a member of St. John's Altar Society, the Ladies Sodality and the Catholic Daughters of America. Another daughter, Mary Elizabeth, born September 8, 1872, died July 28, 1925. Ernest Bloch, head of a well known music school in Cleveland and one of the able and authoritative musical critics of this country, is a relative of this family.

Herman A. Bloch attended the parochial school and graduated from the Navarre high school on June 2, 1899, after which he took courses in bookkeeping and stenography in the Massillon Actual Business College, completing his work there in December, 1901. He then entered the office of the Goodrich Rubber Company in Akron, but later returned to Canton and was employed for two years as bookkeeper with J. L. Simon. He next accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Electric Cleanser Company, with which he remained until 1916, when he went with the La Crosse Rubber Mills, of La Crosse, Wisconsin, manufacturers of rubber footwear, for which concern he traveled one year. In 1917 Mr. Bloch started into business on his own account, under the name of H. A. Bloch, as a wholesale dealer in dipped, molded and mechanical rubber goods. This proved a successful venture and he is now doing a wholesale and brokerage business, handling a complete line of rubber goods except tires. Energetic and progressive he has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth in business and is now regarded as one of the leaders in his line in the state of Ohio.

On May 5, 1917, in St. John's church in Canton, Rev. P. J. McGuire performed the ceremony which united Mr. Bloch and Miss Florence Kelly, who was born in Columbus, Ohio, December 1, 1881, and is of Irish-American and Irish ancestry, being a daughter of William H. and Julia (Egan) Kelly, the former born in Vermont and the latter in Dublin, Ireland. Her father died June 8, 1926. Mrs. Bloch is a talented musician, having studied in Dana Institute at Warren, Ohio, taking a general music course, after which she took piano under Anna B. Loichot and Mrs. Herman Korthauer, at the Boston Conservatory of Music, under Paul Stoye, the eminent Swiss teacher of Chicago, and Herman Korthauer, of Canton. She has frequently been heard in concert and recital and is a prominent figure in the musical circles of Canton. She is a member of the Woman's Club, the Sorosis Club, the MacDowell Club, the Music Study Club, the Catholic Daughters of America and the Columbus Club, and was the organizer of the Junior MacDowell Club at Canton, which she assisted in managing for a while. Mr. and Mrs. Bloch are the parents of two children, namely: Elizabeth Florence, born April 28, 1918, and James Herman, born December 31, 1919. Mr. Bloch is a republican in his political views and has shown a commendable interest in public affairs, though he has never been an aspirant for public office. He belongs to the United Commercial Travelers, and his religious connection is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic church. He is a man of earnest purpose, upright life and honorable in all of his business dealings, so that wherever known he commands confidence and respect.

RAY EDRIC HAMLIN

Ray Edric Hamlin, conducting a prosperous furniture business at 430 South Union street, Alliance, is a native son of Stark county and his record here has been such as has gained for him an enviable place in public esteem. He was born near Alliance on the 10th of February, 1892, and is a son of Frank and Laura (Waithman) Hamlin. The father, also born near Alliance, was long engaged in the retail grocery business here but is now retired and still lives in this city. He is a republican in politics, and his religious

connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church. He is a son of Elijah and Mary Ann (Shaffer) Hamlin, who were also natives of Stark county and are deceased, the mother dying in Alliance and the father dying on one of his farms near this city. He devoted his life to agricultural pursuits, in which he was very successful, becoming the owner of five farms. In politics he was a republican, and he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Laura (Waithman) Hamlin, who is still living in Alliance, was born on the farm adjoining the birthplace of her husband and is a daughter of Thomas and Lucy Ann (Klingaman) Waithman, the latter of whom was born near Alliance and died in this city. Mr. Waithman was born and reared in Alliance; followed farming as an occupation, and died at the home of his daughter in this city. He was a republican and an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Ray E. Hamlin attended the public schools of Alliance and took a commercial course at Mount Union College. He entered the employ of the Cassaday Furniture Company, with which concern he remained four years, and then became a collector for J. H. Sharer & Sons Company, furniture dealers. One year later he was promoted to the position of buyer and eventually became manager of the business, with which he was identified for eleven years. On January 1, 1927, Mr. Hamlin embarked in the furniture business on his own account, establishing a store at 430 South Union street, where he carries a large line of up-to-date furniture and house furnishings, and is meeting with a flattering measure of success.

On September 1, 1917, in Alliance, Mr. Hamlin married Miss Lorene Davis, who was born in this city, April 1, 1893, and is a daughter of Thomas Morgan and Mayme (Erwin) Davis. She is a granddaughter of Evan and Mary (Thomas) Davis, both of whom were natives of Wales and died in Alliance. Evan Davis was a republican in politics. He was a member of the Welsh Congregational church, in which he served as chorister, and he also taught music. Thomas Morgan Davis was born at Mineral Ridge, Ohio, May 19, 1867, and died in Arizona, April 19, 1913, while a resident of Alliance. During the greater part of his life he was a musician by vocation, but in his later years was employed as a machinist. He was a republican and a member of the Welsh Congregational church. His wife was born at Bethel, near Lisbon, Ohio, July 1, 1869, and is still living in Alliance. She is a daughter

of Jesse and Margaret (Neigh) Erwin, both of whom were born near Lisbon, and died at Alliance. Mr. Erwin was engaged in the buying and selling of wool, but later conducted a dry goods store where now stands the City Savings Bank. He was a democrat in politics and was an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Hamlin was graduated from the Wadsworth high school in 1911, and later from the Alliance Business College, after which she was employed as a stenographer by Transue & Williams up to the time of her marriage. She is an active member of the Presbyterian church and its societies, belongs to the Apolodelphian Society, and during the World war served as chief clerk of the draft board. Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin are the parents of a son, Thomas Warren, born February 2, 1921.

Mr. Hamlin is nominally a republican but is independent in his voting, supporting the men whom he believes best qualified for the offices they seek. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and belongs to the Sleepy Hollow Country Club. During the World war he enlisted and was in training at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe. A man of earnest purpose and upright life, he stands high in the regard of those who know him, and his sound and progressive business methods are bringing him a large and steadily increasing patronage.

RAY LEED BOWEN

Ray L. Bowen is conspicuous among the plastering contractors of Canton, having done a vast amount of high-grade work in this city and county, and has won a good reputation as a competent and dependable business man. He was born in Canton July 21, 1889, and is a son of Charles W. and Tillie (Leed) Bowen, also natives of this city, the father born March 29, 1854, and the mother July 5, 1864. He is of Scotch descent in the paternal line, while in the maternal line he comes from German antecedents.

Mr. Bowen received his educational training in the North Cherry school, after which he attended a business college for one year, studying bookkeeping. During this period he attended evening classes and worked during the daytime, having started to learn the trade of a lather with Aston Brothers, plasterers. He

remained with that firm for four years as a lather, and then spent three years with them in learning the plastering trade. In 1913 he began contracting on his own account, in which line of business he has continued to the present time. Starting with one assistant, he has gradually built up a business which now requires the services of twenty plasterers and lathers. He takes pride in the high quality of work, some splendid examples of which are seen in St. Paul's Episcopal church, the Longfellow high school building in Massillon, the school administration building at Canton, and the stucco work on the Lefkovits home on North Canton road, Canton.

In Canton, Mr. Bowen was united in marriage to Miss Lillian E. White, who was born in this city, August 25, 1895, and is a daughter of Max and Lillian White, both of whom are natives of Germany and now reside on Sherrick road, Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen are the parents of four children: Ernia, born August 22, 1913, now attending the McKinley high school; Ray E., born May 31, 1919; Earl W., born April 10, 1920, and Walter, born December 2, 1921. Mr. Bowen gives the republican party his political support, and is a member of the Willowdale Country Club and the Canton Builders Exchange. He and his wife are earnest members of the Lutheran church and stand for all that is best in life, supporting all measures for the advancement of the community. Mr. Bowen is a man of excellent personal qualities, has been loyal and true to the obligations of citizenship and is regarded as one of his community's dependable men. He is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted September 3, 1918, in the Ninth Company, Third Train Battalion, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Depot Brigade, and was in training for three months at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio. He was honorably discharged December 9, 1918.

LOGAN D. BURD

Logan D. Burd, president and general manager of the Burd Construction Company, of Canton, is numbered among those whose success reflects great credit on their determination, perseverance, industry and clear-headed judgment, for he started his career in an humble capacity, without money or influential friends, and every step of his progress has been gained through hard work,

backed by sterling integrity and honesty of purpose. He has attained flattering success and today holds a prominent place in the business circles of Stark county. Mr. Burd was born in Markelsville, Perry county, Pennsylvania, on the 29th of October, 1874, and is a son of David and Catherine (Farver) Burd, both of whom are deceased, the father dying in May, 1913, and the mother November 6, 1919.

Mr. Burd is descended from German and Irish ancestry and in his makeup exhibits the best qualities of both nationalities. He attended the public schools of Newport, Pennsylvania, but had little opportunity for an education, as, on completing the third grade, he was compelled to go to work. However, he has well made up this deficiency, having always been a reader and a student of men and events, and today is a well informed man on a wide range of subjects. In 1888 he took his first job, driving mules on the towpath of the canal from Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, to Havre de Grace, Maryland, and was thus employed until 1892, when he went to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he drove a cab for about a year. He then started to work for the Pennsylvania Steel Company, at Steelton, handling ingots to the rolls, and a year later went to West Superior, Wisconsin, where he was employed for a few months in paving streets with wooden blocks. In August of that year he went to North Dakota and worked with a threshing outfit until the close of the season, when he returned to West Superior and worked in the Bessemer plant as a millwright's helper. He was there about one and a half years and then checked flour on the East Minnesota dock for about the same length of time. He next went back to the Pennsylvania Steel Works and was employed in the bridge shop until June, when he went to Bradford, Pennsylvania, where he was with the Commercial Gas Company, being employed in reading and setting meters for three years. He was then advanced to the position of general superintendent and had charge of the work of installing the gas plant at Orchard Park and East Aurora, New York, also purchasing all supplies. This work claimed his attention from April to November, 1898, but on September 30th of that year he was also made superintendent of construction for the East Ohio Gas Company and installed the first natural gas lines in Canton. In November, 1898, he went to Akron, Ohio, as superintendent of installation of the belt gas line pipes, after which he superintended

the connection of the Akron and Canton mains, which was completed in the following February. He had the honor of turning on and lighting the first natural gas in Canton at the corner of Navarre road and Harrison avenue, southwest. In 1901 Mr. Burd resigned his position with the gas company and established the Canton Natural Gas Supply Company, of which he became president and general manager. This proved a successful venture and in 1907 he branched out into the plumbing business, in connection with which he brought the first power washing machine to Canton. In 1907 he also started a general contracting business, including excavations, construction of sewers, and the grading and paving of streets with brick and asphalt. He carried on the latter business under his own name until 1916, when he incorporated the Burd Construction Company, of which he has been president and general manager to the present time, and approximately fifty miles of paved streets in Stark county indicate his success and is testimony of the high quality of his work.

On January 24, 1907, in Canton, Mr. Burd was united in marriage to Miss Ruellia A. Nighman, who was born in this city, November 13, 1870, and is a daughter of Thaddeus C. and Emmeline (Bitler) Nighman. Her father was born in Canton, February 2, 1831, and died January 8, 1916, and her mother, who was born here, March 20, 1837, died January 6, 1880. Mrs. Burd's paternal grandfather, George Nighman, served with the Ohio Militia in the war of 1812. Mrs. Burd is a member of the Canton Woman's Club, of which she is a director; the Sorosis Club, the Daughters of 1812, the League of Women Voters, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Pythian Sisters, the Woman's Republican Club and the McKinley Club, and she is the first and only woman member of the Canton City Board of Education, serving four years. Mr. and Mrs. Burd are the parents of a son, Logan D., Jr., born in Canton, August 19, 1908, and now a senior in the McKinley high school. Mr. Burd gives his political support to the republican party and during all the years of his residence here has been active in the public affairs of his community. He is a member of Canton Lodge, K. P.; Nimisilla Lodge, No. 39, I. O. O. F.; Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; Canton Lodge, No. 233, L. O. O. M.; Canton Aerie, No. 141, F. O. E.; and the Canton Optimist Club. He and his wife are members of the First Baptist church of this city. He is interested in every-

thing that pertains to public improvement and progress and is accounted one of the valuable citizens of Canton, his substantial traits of character winning for him the regard and esteem of his fellowmen.

ELMER FRANKLIN REINOEHL

The spirit of aggressive enterprise which has been responsible for the remarkable development of the great Buckeye state has characterized the career of Elmer F. Reinoehl, secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Ohio Printing & Publishing Company, of Massillon. He has been identified with the printing business since young manhood, and his industry, perseverance and sound judgment are reflected in the splendid success which has come to him.

Mr. Reinoehl was born on a farm west of Massillon, February 26, 1879, and is a son of John W. and Susan (Groff) Reinoehl, both of whom are deceased. He received a good public school education and when twenty-one years of age went to Chardon, Geauga county, this state, where he bought a newspaper called the Geauga County Record, an organ of the democratic party in that county. He conducted that paper successfully until 1909, and during that period extended the scope of his operations, buying an independent paper at Middlefield, Ohio, and also a republican sheet at Chardon, so that at one time he owned and published three papers in Geauga county, each of different political complexion.

In 1909 Mr. Reinoehl disposed of his newspaper interests there and, coming to Massillon, established a job printing business. In this he met with encouraging success and in the following year it was consolidated with the Novelty Manufacturing Company, which had been in existence since 1908, the business being thereafter conducted under the name of the Ohio Printing & Publishing Company. E. G. Pocock was president of the Company for a number of years but is now deceased. As secretary, treasurer and general manager of the company, Mr. Reinoehl has practical charge of all the details of the business, which under his supervision has enjoyed a prosperous record. The firm does general printing and binding, for which it has up-to-date equipment, and also issues a

free circulation publication called the Buyers' Guide. Mr. Reinoehl is also secretary of the American Electric Switch Company, of Minerva, Ohio.

In 1905 Mr. Reinoehl was united in marriage to Miss Effie Zimmerman, of Massillon, and they are the parents of a daughter, Eleanor, who is a graduate of the Massillon high school and is now attending Mount Marie Academy.

Mr. Reinoehl is an active supporter of the democratic party and while residing in Geauga county served for a number of years as county chairman and in 1908 was a delegate to the democratic national convention. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity; the Kiwanis Club, of which he has been secretary since its organization in 1920; and the Massillon Chamber of Commerce. He has always stood ready to identify himself with any measure calculated to promote the best interests of his community and is regarded as one of its most progressive citizens, commanding the respect and good will of all who know him.

WILLIAM G. CLEMENTZ

William G. Clementz holds a place in the front rank of Massillon's successful business men and, because of his ability, enterprise and sound methods, has won well merited prosperity. He was born in Massillon on the 22d of August, 1887, and is a son of A. J. and Elizabeth (Dittmar) Clementz, the former of whom died December 31, 1916, but the latter still resides in this city. Mr. Clementz secured his educational training in the parochial schools of Massillon and at the age of sixteen years started to work for his father, who was engaged in the building supply business and also did a good deal of road building. He has been identified with the business continuously since and on the death of his father he assumed control of the business, in which he is now associated with his brother Elmer E. under the name of A. J. Clementz's Sons. They handle a complete line of building supplies, roofing and asphalt shingles, washed sand and gravel, and own their own gravel pits. They give prompt and careful service and command their full share of the local trade in their line. William G. Clementz is also financially interested in other enterprises, being a director of the Union

National Bank of Massillon, president of the People's Coal & Beverage Company and president of the Russell Service Company.

On October 14, 1914, Mr. Clementz was united in marriage to Miss Dayse Bauhof, of Canton, Ohio, and they are the parents of four children, Elizabeth, Margaret, William and James.

Mr. Clementz is independent in his political views and always votes for those who in his judgment will best promote the public welfare. He is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Rotary Club, and the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is president. A man of strong character and pleasing personality, he commands not only the uniform respect of his fellowmen but is exceedingly popular among his associates and friends, who admire him for his sterling worth.

JAMES H. SHORTHILL

James H. Shorthill is secretary and general manager of the Shorthill Plumbing Company, at 233 Second street southwest, Canton, numbered among the most reliable concerns in its line in Stark county, its success having been founded on the sound principles of quick service, high grade materials and first class workmanship. He was born in Canton, July 16th, 1880, and is a son of George W. and Barbara M. (Shum) Shorthill, the former born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and the latter in Louisville, Stark county, Ohio. Both parents are deceased, the mother passing away August 9, 1925. Mr. Shorthill is of Irish and Scotch ancestry on the paternal side, while his mother's forebears were German. George W. Shorthill was a veteran of the Civil war, having served as a member of the Two Hundred and Sixty-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry.

James H. Shorthill secured his early education in the West North public school, graduated from the Central high school and then took courses in bookkeeping and stenography at the Canton Actual Business College in one year. In 1901 he started to learn the plumbing business with the Hartung Plumbing Company, with which he remained three years, and then started in business for himself under the firm name of C. Carpenter & Company, which

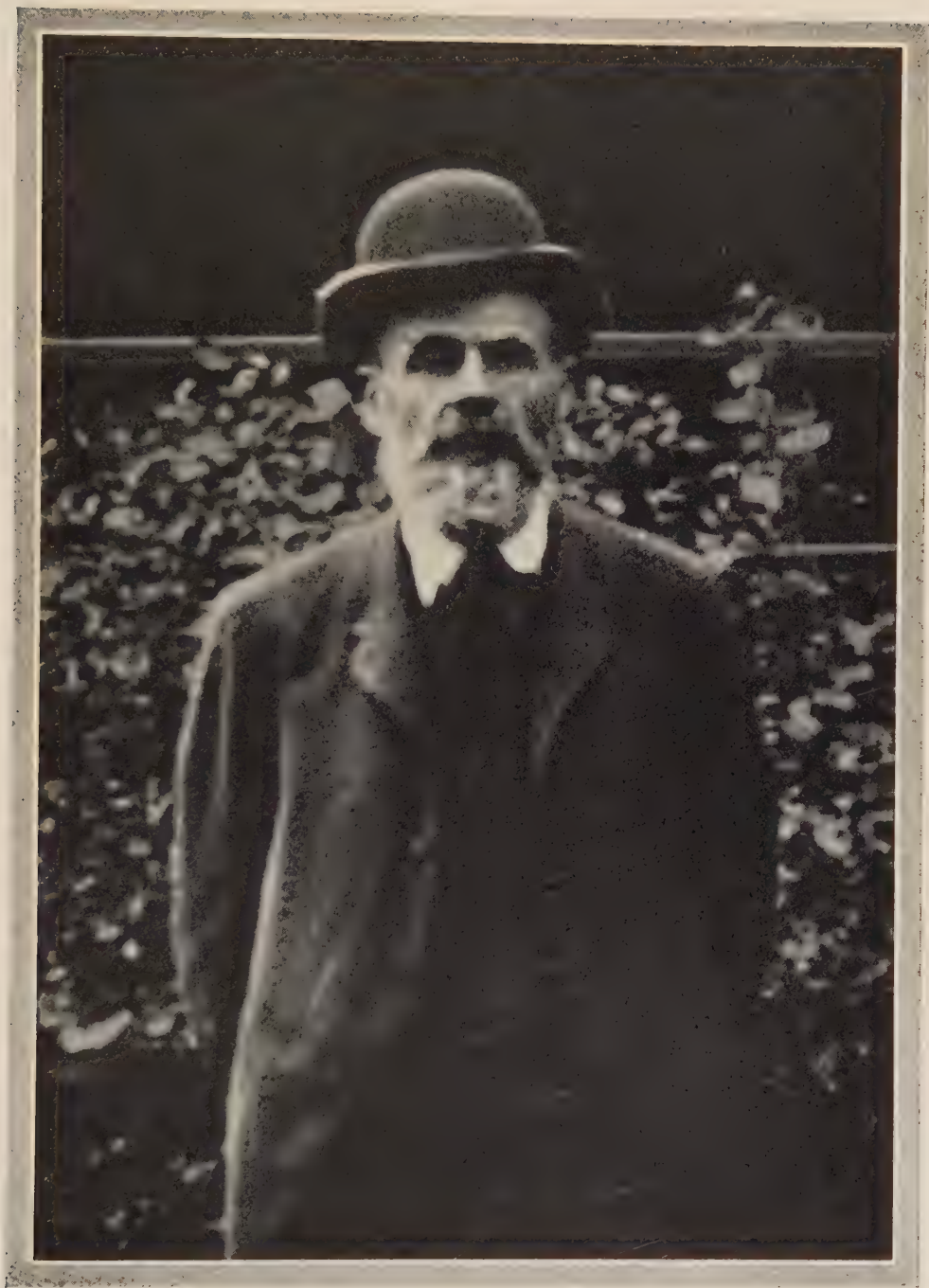
later became Carpenter, Schwing & Shorthill, and in 1912 the firm became known as the Shorthill Plumbing Company, of which Mr. Shorthill is secretary and general manager. The business was located on Third street southwest for ten years, since which time it has been at its present location, where is to be found a fully equipped shop, manned by expert workmen, who do fair and honest work. Mr. Shorthill is himself a good plumber and is insistent that every job done by his concern shall be absolutely satisfactory, so that he has well merited the reputation which he enjoys as a thoroughly dependable business man.

He is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M.; Nazir Grotto; and Stark Lodge, No. 513, I. O. O. F. He is a man of courteous and agreeable manner, is generous in his support of all worthy causes and stands for the best things in community life, while his personal record has gained for him the sincere respect and good will of his fellowmen.

JEFFERSON A. HOUSER

Jefferson A. Houser, who proved his loyalty and patriotism by gallant service in the Civil war, was for many years a valued citizen of Canton and through the medium of his own efforts rose to an influential position in local business circles. A native of Ohio, he was born on a farm near Middlebranch in 1846 and when a child was brought to Canton by his parents, John and Mary (Wise) Houser. His father was one of the pioneer business men of the city and operated the Hundred Mile Warehouse on East Tuscarawas street.

In the acquirement of an education Jefferson A. Houser attended the old Union school on West Tuscarawas street and in 1861 left high school to enter the federal army, being at that time a youth of fifteen. At the age of seventeen he reenlisted, joining Company I, attached to the One Hundred and Sixty-fourth Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was assigned to duty with Sherman's Brigade. He was injured in the Stone River and Rocky Ridge engagements and was wounded the third time during the siege of Atlanta. In that city he was captured by the Confederates, and after his exchange was with the Army of the



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Cumberland. In April, 1865, he was honorably discharged and following his marriage moved to the Houser farm, which was later sold. He then located in Canton and entered the office of the Aultman Company, spending over forty years of his life in its service. At first he had charge of the extras department and his ability and devotion to duty were soon rewarded by promotion. In 1894, while acting as sales manager, he was sent to Nebraska to make an invoice at the company's distributing plant in Omaha and was crushed by a descending elevator, receiving injuries from which he never fully recovered. After the failure of the Aultman Company, Mr. Houser took over the repair department, in partnership with Martin Hogan, and it was subsequently operated under the name of the Canton Engine & Machinery Company. Through well matured plans and systematic efforts Mr. Houser stimulated the growth of the business, of which he had highly specialized knowledge, and at his death on February 1, 1909, at the age of sixty-five years, was secretary and treasurer of the company.

On September 6, 1866, Mr. Houser had married Miss Mary C. Martin, a daughter of Charles and Della (Smith) Martin, and to them were born three children. Jennie May Houser, the elder daughter, died at the age of four years. Mary who became the wife of Charles A. Stohlberg, has passed away, as have their two children, Harry and Mary Elizabeth. The son, Charles J. Houser, is captain of Company C, Eighth Regiment of the Ohio National Guard, and a veteran of three wars. He fought for his country in the conflict with Spain and was stationed in the Philippines during the insurrection. After leaving the islands he returned to Ohio and for fifteen years was military instructor in the Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster. Subsequently he was appointed disciplinarian of the same institution and at one time had charge of fifteen hundred boys. During the World war he went to France with the American Expeditionary Force and was gassed. He married Miss Helen Bertolett and they are the parents of two daughters, Ruth and Margaret Katherine.

Mr. Houser was affiliated with the First Methodist Episcopal church, of which he was a trustee for many years, and contributed generously toward its maintenance. He belonged to McKinley Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and through his association with his old comrades relived the scenes of the past. At the time of his death he was treasurer of Royal Star Council, No. 18, of

the Royal Arcanum and also had membership relations with Canton Lodge, No. 60, A. F. & A. M. Honest, industrious, broad-minded and public-spirited, he played well his part and his memory is revered by all who enjoyed the privilege of his friendship. Mrs. Houser occupies the family home at No. 1439 Cleveland avenue, northwest, and is highly esteemed because of her many estimable qualities of heart and mind. She is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church and for many years was a teacher in the Sunday school, having charge of the teachers' training class.

WILLIAM J. STUHLBREHER

William J. Stuhldreher, who conducts an up-to-date grocery store at 127 First street northeast, Massillon, has been identified with this line of business for forty years and is regarded as a capable and reliable business man, having realized a very satisfactory measure of success during the thirty years in which he has been in the business on his own account.

Mr. Stuhldreher was born near Millport, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 2d of August, 1870, and is a son of August and Elizabeth Stuhldreher, the former of whom was a farmer by occupation. He received his educational training in the district schools of his home neighborhood and assisted his father on the farm until eighteen years of age, when he came to Massillon and clerked in the grocery store of S. F. Wefler for seven years, during which period he gained an intimate knowledge of every phase of the business. In 1898 he embarked in the grocery business on his own account, to which he has devoted his attention continuously since, and is regarded as one of Massillon's solid and substantial business men.

In 1898 Mr. Stuhldreher was united in marriage to Miss Flora Witt, of Crystal Springs, Ohio, and they are the parents of two sons, Walter and Harry, both of whom completed their educations in Notre Dame University. Harry, while in that institution, won a national reputation as a football player, being the quarterback member of the famous backfield known everywhere as the "Four Horsemen." He is now engaged in coaching.

Mr. Stuhldreher is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and he and his wife are earnest members of St. Mary's Roman Catholic

church. A man of generous disposition and kindly manner, he has won a large circle of warm and loyal friends, while his business methods have been of a character that has earned for him the confidence and good will of all who have dealt with him.

FRANK BILODEAU

Frank Bilodeau is numbered among the enterprising and successful merchants of Alliance, where he is engaged in business under the name of The Bilodeau Company, Inc., and is enjoying a very gratifying measure of success. He was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, September 8, 1883, and is a son of Joseph and Eliza (Fortain) Bilodeau, both of whom were natives of France and died in Canada. The father was a carpenter and builder by occupation; was a republican in politics while living in this country, and he and his wife were devout members of the Roman Catholic church.

Frank Bilodeau attended the public schools of Lowell, Massachusetts, graduating from high school in 1903, after which he went to work in the clothing store of J. L. Califoux, of Lowell, with whom he remained for two years. During the following five years he was with the A. G. Pollard & Company department store, of Lowell, as buyer of furnishings, and then went to Providence, Rhode Island, where he entered the employ of the J. B. Barnaby Company, being manager of and buyer for the furnishings department for six years. He next came to Canton, Ohio, where for six months he served as window trimmer and advertising man for Hirscheimer Brothers, clothiers. In 1917 he came to Alliance and bought an interest in the business of F. W. Pierson at 304 East Main street. They remained together for six years, and in 1923 Mr. Bilodeau bought his partner's interest in the business and organized the Bilodeau Company, Inc., of which he is secretary, treasurer and general manager. He has shown himself an up-to-date business man, energetic and progressive in his methods, and well merits the prosperity which is crowning his efforts.

On August 23, 1905, in Lowell, Massachusetts, Mr. Bilodeau was united in marriage to Miss Corinne Peladeau, who was born in that city, May 23, 1886, a daughter of the late Peter Peladeau. Her father was an expert machinist; gave his political support to

the republican party; and was a member of the Roman Catholic church. Mrs. Bilodeau is a graduate of the Lowell high school and is a member of the Alliance Women's Club, the American Red Cross Society and the Young Women's Christian Association. During the World war she took an active part in the several Red Cross drives. Mr. and Mrs. Bilodeau are the parents of three children, namely: Henry, who was born at Woonsocket, Rhode Island, in 1909, was killed in an automobile accident at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, November 25, 1915; Reggie, born in Providence, Rhode Island, August 23, 1910, attended the Alliance grade and high schools and is now a student in St. Vincent College, at Beatty, Pennsylvania; and Doris, born in Providence, September 5, 1916, attended Mount Marie Academy at Canton for two years and is now in the parochial school in Alliance.

Mr. Bilodeau gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Alliance Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife are devout members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. A man of kindly manner and generous disposition, Mr. Bilodeau has made many warm friends since coming to Alliance, and his business record has gained for him the respect and confidence of all who have had dealings with him, for he observes the highest commercial ethics and is fair and square in all of his affairs.

EDWARD F. DAVIES

Among Massillon's successful and influential citizens and business men stands Edward F. Davies, vice president of the First Savings & Loan Company, with which institution he has been identified for twenty-four years. He has shown himself to be a man of substantial qualities and has been a definite factor in the commercial prosperity of this city.

Mr. Davies was born near Massillon on the 3d day of October, 1872, his parents being Thomas B. and Elizabeth (Rowland) Davies, both of whom were natives of Wales. The father came to this country in the early '50s and in 1866 located in Stark county. During his early years he followed the occupation of a coal miner, but later engaged in the grocery business, to which he gave his at-

tention for thirty-two years. His death occurred in February, 1927, when he was eighty-seven years of age.

Edward F. Davies received his education in the public schools and for about ten years was associated with his father in the grocery business. He learned the art of telegraphy but never followed it as a vocation. For a time he was employed as freight clerk by the Pennsylvania Railroad, and was for four years with the Massillon Coal Mining Company. In 1904 he entered the service of the First Savings & Loan Company, beginning at the bottom, and during the subsequent years his intelligent and loyal efforts gained for him deserved promotions until in 1927 he was elected vice president of the institution.

In 1902 Mr. Davies was united in marriage to Miss Annette H. Matthews, of Massillon, and they are the parents of a daughter, Margaret, who is the wife of C. J. Parker, Jr. Mr. Davies gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. A man of sterling character, sincere purpose and candid and straightforward manner, he has long commanded the unqualified confidence and respect of the people and is regarded as a distinct asset to his community.

THE A. G. STAFFORD COMPANY

The A. G. Stafford Company, of Canton, manufacturers of high grade ornamental iron work, is regarded as the leading concern in its line in Stark county, and under the management of A. George Stafford is enjoying a steady and substantial growth.

Mr. Stafford was born in the province of Jemtland, Sweden. He secured his early education in the public schools of Sweden, and, after coming to the United States, in the high schools of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Minnesota State University, Glen Cove Academy, and Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, New York. At Pratt Institute he specialized on the study of architecture, and after graduation served his apprenticeship in the offices of New York architects as designer, draftsman and superintendent.

In 1903 he accepted a position as chief draftsman with the architectural bronze department of The Manhattan Brass Com-

pany in New York, and has since that time been continually engaged in the ornamental iron and bronze business in various capacities. Before coming to Canton, Mr. Stafford was associated with The W. S. Tyler Company of Cleveland for twelve years.

On engaging in business in Canton, Mr. Stafford established his office in The First National Bank building, with a shop on the west side. The business was incorporated under its present name in 1925, and in the spring of the next year the present modern plant of the company was constructed at 1531 Fourth street southeast, in which ornamental iron work of all kinds is manufactured, the plant being equipped with modern machinery and all up-to-date facilities for turning out the highest quality of work.

But there are certain classes of iron craftsmanship where the ancient traditions are venerated, ignoring modern tools and employing primitive methods of working to attain really artistic results. For this purpose artisans are employed who do handwork almost exclusively.

The men with the company have helped to establish a wide reputation for the quality of its work, the beauty of its designs, and the general efficiency of the service which it renders, while its business methods have been such as to give it a high place in the confidence of business circles in this section of the state.

JAMES S. MCNETT, M. D.

Dr. James S. McNett, who enjoys a large and representative medical practice in Massillon, has also won an enviable reputation as a citizen of high ideals, devoted to the best interests of his community, and enjoys the uniform respect of the people of his city. He was born at Hornell, Steuben county, New York, on the 8th of December, 1886, a son of James H. and Eva L. (Santee) McNett. He received his elementary education in the public schools and his pre-medical education at Ridley College, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada. He studied two years at the University of Toronto, one year at Cornell University and completed his medical education at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1914. For one year he served as interne in the Chester County Hospital at Westchester, Pennsylvania, and

in 1915 began the practice of his profession at Endicott, Broome county, New York, where he remained until 1917, when he joined the British Expeditionary Forces for service in the World war and was on detached duty for twenty-two months and was decorated with the British military cross. On receiving his honorable discharge, Dr. McNett came to Massillon, establishing an office in November, 1919, and during the subsequent years has built up an extensive practice in medicine and surgery, being regarded as one of the leading members of his profession in this locality.

In September, 1911, Dr. McNett was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Hare, of Cameron, New York, and they are the parents of two children, James and Ada. The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite; and also belongs to the American Legion. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and, religiously, is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal church. Actuated by a sincere desire to be of practical service to his fellowmen, a close and constant student of his profession, and kindly and sympathetic in his relations with his patients, the Doctor has won a warm place in the hearts of those who have employed his services, while throughout the community he is held in high regard for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

LEON D. SHERRICK

Among the progressive business men of Canton stands Leon D. Sherrick, who has kept pace with the modern trend of rapid transportation and is maintaining a well equipped flying field, from which he carries passengers to any point desired. Mr. Sherrick was born in Canton, on the 13th of January, 1896, and is a son of Alwyn B. and Josephine G. (Gardieux) Sherrick. In the paternal line he is of Swiss descent, his great-grandfather, John Sherrick, having been a native of Switzerland, while his paternal grandmother, whose family name was Danforth, came from Hamilton, Ohio, to Canton, in 1840. Both of his maternal grandparents came to this country from France.

Leon D. Sherrick attended the West North grammar school and the Central high school in Canton, after which he spent three years in the Case School of Applied Science, at Cleveland, and one year in the University of Washington, at Seattle. On his return to Canton he became assistant city engineer, which position he held for one year, when, the United States having entered the World war, he went to Urbana, Illinois, and enlisted in the Signal Corps Reserve as instructor. Subsequently he was commissioned a lieutenant in the air service, in which he remained until the close of the war, being honorably discharged at Fort Worth, Texas, on January 9, 1919. He then returned to Canton and, in August of that year, opened the Sherrick Flying Field, on Broad avenue extension northwest, and from that time to the present has maintained a complete commercial airplane service. He has five first-class planes, employs only expert and efficient pilots, and has had a remarkable record of freedom from accidents or delays. His service is steadily growing in popularity and is now one of the well known institutions of the city.

On October 23, 1921, in Wheeling, West Virginia, Mr. Sherrick was united in marriage to Miss Edrie Humphreyville, who was born at Mount Pleasant, Ohio, June 25, 1899, and is of French descent, three generations back. Her parents are Edward and Mary (Moore) Humphreyville, the former born at Mount Pleasant and the latter at Canton. Mr. Sherrick is a member of Canton Lodge, B. P. O. E., enjoys a wide acquaintance throughout Stark county and all who know him entertain for him the highest respect and good will, for he is a man of sterling character and of pleasing and agreeable manner.

WILLIAM L. WITWER

William L. Witwer, who for nearly a quarter of a century has been engaged in the building contracting business in Canton, has gained an enviable reputation for high class work, sound business methods and absolute fidelity, and therefore commands the confidence of the public to a marked degree. Mr. Witwer was born near Greentown, Summit county, Ohio, on the 8th of June, 1874, and is a son of Ananias C. and Mary A. (Witwer) Witwer, of

whom the former was born February 14, 1853, and is now deceased, while the latter was born February 12, 1853, and resides at 1524 Ninth street northeast, in Canton. They were first cousins and were of Swiss ancestry.

William L. Witwer attended the public schools for a few years, the remainder of his education being received under the personal direction of his father, who was a college graduate. On leaving school he went to work in the Novelty Iron Works, in Canton, in which he was employed for six months, and at the age of ten years started to learn the potter's trade at Canton. Afterward, under his father, he learned the carpenter's trade and later went to South Bend, Indiana, for the Birdsall Manufacturing Company, with which he remained six months, after which he went to Mishawaka, Indiana, where for four years he was employed as a millwright in the Ball Band Knit Boot and Rubber Works, in connection with spinning, carding and knitting machines. He then went to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis. Coming to Canton he engaged in the building contracting business, which he has carried on to the present time. He has done a large amount of building throughout Stark county and has taken a justifiable pride in his successful efforts to satisfy all who have employed his services, for he is exacting and painstaking in everything he undertakes and employs only skilled workmen. He has been successful in his material affairs and is a stockholder in and treasurer of the K. & S. Oil Company.

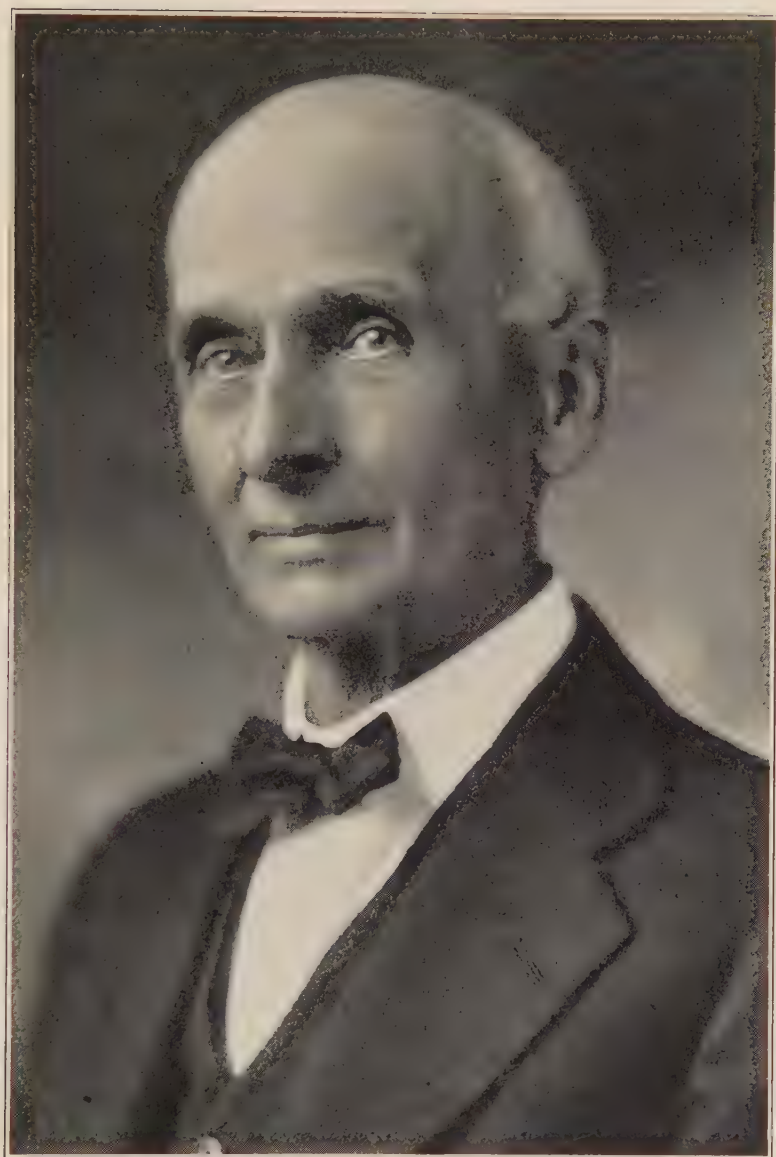
On January 1, 1901, in Canton, Rev. Nau, pastor of the First Reformed church, performed the ceremony that united Mr. Witwer and Miss Elnora G. Graf, who was born May 3, 1874, her parents being of German and French nationality, respectively. In his political views Mr. Witwer has always been aligned with the democratic party and has shown a commendable interest in all matters affecting the welfare of his city or county. Fraternally he is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council, No. 35, R. & S. M.; Canton Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Emeth Lodge of Perfection, Mystic Council, Princes of Jerusalem, and Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix, all at Canton; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He also belongs to Nimisilla Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Canton Council, No. 55, Jr. O. U. A. M.; and Enterprise Camp, No. 46, W. O. W., at Mishawaka, Indiana. He is an earnest member of the First Christian church of Canton, and

Mrs. Witwer is a member of the First Reformed church of Canton, to which they give generous support. Mr. Witwer is a man of earnest purpose and upright life, and during his entire career has so ordered his life as to merit the respect and good will of all who know him.

LE ROY L. LAMBORN

The Lamborn Floral Company of Alliance, of which Le Roy L. Lamborn is the founder and president, is one of the largest and most important concerns in its line in the state of Ohio and, under his careful and judicious management has enjoyed a very successful history. He was born in Alliance on the 15th of September, 1856, a son of Dr. Levi Leslie and Maria (Grant) Lamborn. The family is of English origin and was founded in this country by Mr. Lamborn's great-grandfather, Robert Lamborn. He was the father of Townsend Lamborn, who was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, and who married Miss Anna Clayton. They became the parents of Levi Leslie Lamborn, who was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, October 10, 1829, and died at Alliance, Ohio, June 14, 1910. He was graduated from Western Reserve Medical College with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1849, and practiced his profession at Mount Union for fifteen years and in Alliance for three years, enjoying an extensive practice and gaining a high reputation as an able and successful physician. He was editor of the first newspaper published in Alliance—the Ledger, which was founded in 1854. Later he became a successful banker and conducted an extensive real estate business. He was a stanch democrat; took an active interest in public affairs and was an eloquent platform speaker. In 1874 he ran for congress against William McKinley and served two terms as clerk of the Ohio house of representatives. He was a member of various medical societies and other organizations and was an adherent of the Quaker church. Maria (Grant) Lamborn was a daughter of Stacey and Jemima (Rockhill) Grant, who were numbered among the pioneer settlers of Alliance.

Le Roy L. Lamborn received his educational training in the public schools of Alliance and then engaged in the florist business,



LE ROY L. LAMBORN

with which he has been identified continuously since. The business has enjoyed a steady growth and the plant has been enlarged from time to time until now there are five acres under glass, being located near Mount Union College. The business is conducted under the name of the Lamborn Floral Company, of which Mr. Lamborn is president, and his son-in-law, Fred J. Zang, is secretary. They specialize in the raising of roses and carnations and sell at wholesale only, their patronage coming from a wide radius and the high quality of their flowers being recognized by discriminating buyers.

On June 13, 1878, in Alliance, Mr. Lamborn was united in marriage to Miss Mary Christine Weybrecht, who was born in this city, October 7, 1856, and is a daughter of John T. and Margaret (Honaker) Weybrecht. Her father was born in Alsace, France, January 27, 1829, and died in Alliance, January 31, 1895. He emigrated to the United States in 1852 and in the following year located in Alliance. In his native land he had learned the trade of a carpenter, which vocation he followed here for a number of years. In 1856 he established the first lumberyard in Alliance and during the following years engaged extensively in the contracting business and erected every schoolhouse in the city during his residence here, besides many other prominent buildings. He was president and a director of the Home & Loan Building Company, and was an active supporter of the democratic party. Margaret (Honaker) Weybrecht was born near Alliance, June 27, 1833, and died in this city, June 15, 1911. She was a daughter of Christopher Honaker, a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, and a pioneer settler in Stark county, where he engaged in farming for many years. Mrs. Lamborn was educated in the public schools of Alliance and has been deeply interested in civic affairs, being a member of the Alliance Women's Club and the Coterie Club, and during the World war she served as treasurer of the local chapter of the Red Cross Society. She gives her political support to the democratic party. Mr. and Mrs. Lamborn are the parents of a daughter, Margaret Maria, who was born July 3, 1884. She graduated from the Alliance high school and LaSalle Seminary, in Boston, Massachusetts, and is now the wife of Fred J. Zang, secretary of the Lamborn Floral Company. Mr. Zang is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite; also is connected with the Knights of

Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club, of which he is president. Mr. and Mrs. Zang are the parents of a son, Le Roy L., born January 8, 1916.

Mr. Lamborn has always been a strong supporter of the democratic party, while his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is an adherent. He is a member of the Knight of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, as well as the Alliance Country Club. He took an active part in advancing the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives during the World war and has always been a consistent supporter of movements for the betterment of his community along all worthy lines. He has shown a progressive and enterprising spirit in his business affairs and has been rewarded with a splendid measure of success. He is regarded as one of the worthy and reliable citizens of Alliance.

WILLIAM MEUSER

William Meuser, who passed to his eternal reward in 1908, was a man of unusual qualities of character, chief among which were high purposes, indomitable perseverance, sound judgment and unswerving integrity, and these elements not only gained for him a large measure of success but also commended him to the favor of all who knew him. He made a splendid business record, having from a modest beginning built up an extensive and prosperous business, which stood as a monument to his industry and ability.

Mr. Meuser was born in New Hamburg, Germany, on the 15th of November, 1827, a son of Jacob and Katherine Meuser. He was reared at home and received his education in the public schools of his native land. In 1851, when twenty-four years of age, he emigrated to the United States, landing at New York city, where he lived for two years. He then went to Marietta, Ohio, where he learned the tanning trade, and later engaged in that business on his own account. He started in a small way but the high quality of his products and his progressive business methods gained for him increased patronage and in the course of time his business, which was operated under the name of William Meuser & Sons, was the

largest in Marietta. He devoted his efforts closely to the development of the business and was so successful in his material affairs that in 1887 he was enabled to retire. In 1898 he removed to Massillon, Stark county, where he resided until his death, his burial occurring on the eighty-first anniversary of his birth.

Before coming to America Mr. Meuser was married to Miss Henrietta Stahl, who was born and reared in his home town, and to them were born seven children, as follows: William, who was a nickel plater, moved to San Francisco, California, where his death occurred in 1919. He married Miss Laura Borleau and they had two children, William and Howard. Edward, who died in 1923, was associated with his father in the tanning business, and on his father's retirement he went to New York city, where he learned piano making. He returned to Massillon and, in company with his brother Henry, started the manufacture of pianos. Eventually there were four of the brothers interested in the enterprise, which was conducted under the name of the Meuser Brothers Piano Company. After the dissolution of the company, in 1913, Edward remained in Massillon. Caroline, the next of the family, became the wife of August Goldsmith and they had five children, Edgar, Augustus, Winnifred, Henrietta and Veda. Louis married Miss Matilda Sehadd and they had three children, William, Walter and Irene. Henry C., who was the founder of the piano business at Massillon and later engaged in the real estate business in Columbus, died in 1921. He married Miss Anna Statfield and they had a son, Henry C. Fred, who is at the head of the Columbus Fixture Company, in Columbus, married Miss Anna Trautner, and they have two children, Freda, who is the wife of Dr. D. W. Lavender, of Mansfield, Ohio, and Dr. Gordon Meuser. Emma L. is a resident of Massillon. Dr. Gordon Meuser has an archeological collection of over forty-five thousand pieces, to which he is constantly adding. He started collecting while still in high school in 1914, handling only Indian relics of Ohio, and his collection is now one of the largest in the country for the state of Ohio.

Henry Meuser was a chapter Mason and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Fred and Lewis Meuser are members of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and Emma L. Meuser is a member of the Massillon Women's Club and is active in the work of the societies of her church. The family has long been identified with St. Paul's Evangelical church of Marietta,

of which the father was one of the most liberal supporters and rendered valuable assistance in the building of the edifice. He was a man of fidelity to every cause which he espoused, stood consistently for all that was best in life and gave of his best to advance the public welfare. Though an unassuming man, with no ambition for public position or leadership, his admirable qualities of head and heart and his candid and straightforward manner won for him an exalted place in the confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

TRACY V. BUCKWALTER

In the field of mechanical science, Tracy V. Buckwalter, vice president of the Timken Roller Bearing Company, of Canton, has won a national reputation, having done much effective research work and designing, his services in this regard being distinctively constructive in character. He has been a prominent factor in the development of the great Timken company and stands in the front rank of the able and successful mechanical engineers of this country. Mr. Buckwalter was born at Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, April 28, 1880, and is a son of David B. and Ellen B. (Harmon) Buckwalter. His family originated in Alsace-Lorraine, and his maternal grandmother, whose family name was Brosius, was descended from French Huguenots who came to this country to escape religious persecution. David B. Buckwalter was born August 6, 1850, in McConnellstown, Pennsylvania, and resides at Bellwood, that state, and his wife, who was of English-Scotch descent, was born in 1852, at Nippino, Pennsylvania, and is deceased.

Tracy V. Buckwalter received his educational training in the public schools of Houtzdale, Pennsylvania, graduating from the Woodward high school there in 1896. He went to work as an apprentice with an electric construction company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, remaining there one and a half years, after which he was with the Pneumatic Wheel Company, in Freehold, New Jersey, as a machinist until 1900. He then entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Altoona, being engaged as machinist for one year, when he was made gang foreman of the machine shop. Five years later he was transferred to the general of-

fices as a draftsman, remaining there from 1906 to 1908, in which year he was made foreman of the drafting room motive power department. In 1904, when with the Pennsylvania Railroad, he designed and built the first electric baggage truck ever used, and in 1908 he resigned and built the first double-end-control truck for the Pennsylvania company. In 1906 he examined the first taxi imported in America and from 1907 to 1910 he organized the first taxi service for the company in leading terminals, beginning with the terminal at Washington, D. C. In 1910 Mr. Buckwalter assisted in the organization of the Elwell Parker Electric Company, at Cleveland, Ohio, holding the position of consulting engineer and licensee. In 1913 he designed and built the first tractor with a draw-bar capacity of twenty thousand pounds, which was at that time the strongest known. In 1916 he came to Canton as chief engineer for the Timken Roller Bearing Company, in which capacity he continued, having charge of the development of the bearings used on automotive and industrial equipment, including the now famous railroad bearing, until 1925, when he was elected vice president of the company, in which capacity he is still serving. His duties as vice president are numerous, but specifically he devotes his attention to increasing the scope of the company's business. His ability and clear-headed judgment in practical matters has been widely recognized and in 1919 he made the original studies in Canton on the subject of smoke abatement, the results of his investigations and his recommendations being published in a booklet by the Chamber of Commerce. In 1918 Mr. Buckwalter served on a civilian committee at Washington, D. C., on designing military trucks, during which service he participated in numerous conferences at Washington. He has been successful in his material affairs and is the owner of a forest project of one hundred acres, situated between Canton and Massillon. This project was started in 1921 and the land was fully planted to one hundred and twenty-seven thousand trees, approximately half of which now survive. These consist mainly of black walnut, red oak, white ash, tulip-poplar, black locust and basswood, while the evergreens include Scotch pine, red pine, white pine and Norway spruce. He also owns a pine forest in South Carolina.

On October 22, 1902, at Freehold, New Jersey, Mr. Buckwalter was united in marriage to Miss Hattie May Emmons, who is of English descent, being a daughter of John C. and Catherine (Ap-

legate) Emmons, the former born in Monmouth county, New Jersey, while both are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Buckwalter are the parents of six children: Lawrence E., born July 23, 1904, married Miss Ida May Stokes and lives in Bluffton, South Carolina; Emory T., born October 5, 1906, married Miss Eleanor Haines and resides in Canton; Theodore J., born April 6, 1908, is attending Columbia University, in New York city, majoring in economics; Eugene P., born December 19, 1910, is taking his college preparatory course in Northwestern Military Academy, at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; Norman E., born December 1, 1913, is a pupil in the Central high school of Canton; and Tracy V., Jr., born May 25, 1918, is a pupil in the Wells Street public school.

Mr. Buckwalter gives his political support to the republican party. Fraternally he is a member of Hiram Lodge, No. 616, F. & A. M., at Altoona, Pennsylvania, also of the council, chapter and commandery of the York rite and Jaffa Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Altoona. He belongs to the Brookside Country Club, the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club, all at Canton; the Detroit Athletic Club, the American Society of Mechanics and Engineers, the Society of Automotive Engineers, the American Geographic Society, the Army Ordnance Association and the American Society of Political and Social Science. He and his wife are members of the Trinity Lutheran church in Canton. A man of earnest purpose, marked strength of character and agreeable personality, he has a host of loyal personal friends and throughout the range of his acquaintance is held in high regard, while in the business and scientific world he commands the highest measure of respect for his ability and accomplishments.

JOSEPH LARKE FLOYD

One of the prominent lawyers of Stark county is Joseph L. Floyd, senior member of the firm of Floyd & Yutzey, of Canton, where he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession for a quarter of a century, during which period he has commanded a large and representative clientele. Mr. Floyd was born in Noble county, Ohio, on the 18th of November, 1876, and is a son of Rev. Morris and Elizabeth (Craig) Floyd, both of whom were born in

Noble county, the father in 1851 and the mother in 1849. His father was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and was a descendant of the Morris family of Revolutionary war fame. The Floyd family is of Welsh origin, Floyd and Lloyd being merely variations of the same family name. His mother was a daughter of John D. and Sarah Craig, who were born near Portarlington, Ireland.

Joseph L. Floyd received a common school education in his youth, attending school in the various places where his father was stationed in his ministerial work. He entered Mount Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1897, and then took the law course at Ohio Northern University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1902. Mr. Floyd began teaching school when sixteen years of age, his first employment being at the McKinney school, west of East Sparta, Stark county, after which he was principal of the Chagrin Falls high school and principal of the high school at McConnellsville, where he also acted as football coach. He is now associated in the practice of law with C. E. Yutzey and specializes in real estate law, the preparation of abstracts and examinations of titles. Thorough and painstaking in everything he does, he has long enjoyed a reputation for absolute trustworthiness and dependability and commands the unqualified confidence of all who have engaged his services.

On March 26, 1913, in Canton, Mr. Floyd was united in marriage to Miss Margaret J. Hillibish, who was born in this city, July 12, 1877, and is a daughter of Frank S. and Katherine (Wren) Hillibish, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania and are now deceased. In the paternal line Mrs. Floyd is a descendant of James Montgomery and on the maternal side of Sir Christopher Wren. She is a member of the Canton Women's Club and is active in church and Sunday school work.

In his political views Mr. Floyd is a stanch republican, having cast his first presidential vote for William McKinley, and is in entire sympathy with the principles of Americanism. He is a member of McKinley Lodge, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, R. A. M.; Canton Council, R. & S. M.; Canton Commandery, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., of Cleveland; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland. He also belongs to Lilly Lodge, K. P.; the Loyal Order of Moose, the Tribe of Ben-Hur and Nazir

Grotto, and to the Kiwanis Club, the Torch Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Canton Real Estate Board, the Ohio Title Association, of which he is a past president, and the Stark County Bar Association, of which he is now president. Mr. Floyd's hobby is the study of bird life, in which he has been interested for twenty-five years, and he is an associate member of the American Ornithological Union. He and his wife are earnest members of the Simpson Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a trustee. Mr. Floyd rendered effective service as a member of the local draft board during the World war and in everything affecting the welfare of the community he has evinced a deep interest. Strong mental endowment, invincible courage and honesty of purpose enter so strongly into his composition as to render him a leading figure in his profession and to a marked degree he commands the uniform respect of his fellowmen.

JAMES E. WILLISON

James E. Willison, who for nearly twenty years has been engaged in the practice of law in Massillon, has earned a reputation as a painstaking, careful and dependable attorney, and has been uniformly successful as a practitioner. He was born in Massillon on the 2d of July, 1887, and is the only son of Eugene G. and Carrie (Bayliss) Willison, who were married February 22, 1883. The father was also a native of this city, born January 7, 1853, and was a son of George and Sarah (Cook) Willison. Eugene G. Willison received his preliminary education in the public schools and entered the law school of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1875. He had been admitted to the bar in 1874 and the remaining years of his life were devoted to the practice of law, embracing a period of over a half century. He was in partnership with Judge Day from 1892 until the latter became a judge of the state supreme court. For several terms he served as city solicitor, amounting to an aggregate of twelve years, and was recognized as one of the ablest members of the Stark county bar. His death occurred here, March 19, 1928, when he was seventy-five years of age.

James E. Willison completed the course of the public and high schools of Massillon and entered the law school of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1909. In that year he was admitted to the bar and was engaged in the practice of his profession with Willison & Day until 1911, and with his father alone until the latter's death. He has served two terms as city solicitor and is a member of the Stark County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. He has a large and remunerative practice, being a safe and sound advisor, and he commands the respect of his fellow lawyers and the confidence of the public.

On October 22, 1910, in Massillon, Mr. Willison was married to Miss Mary C. Oberlin, who was born and reared in this city, and they are the parents of three children, Robert K., Ralph E. and John S.

Mr. Willison is a republican in his political views, while his religious faith is that of the Protestant Episcopal church. He is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites; is vice president of the Young Men's Christian Association; secretary of the Massillon Hospital Association; and a member of the Massillon Lawyers Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is counsel for the First Savings & Loan Company. He is a public-spirited citizen, ready always to cooperate in all movements for the betterment of the city along material, civic or moral lines, and is regarded as one of Massillon's best citizens.

THOMAS H. TAYLOR

Thomas H. Taylor is one of the best known real estate men of Massillon, where he has, through his energy and enterprising methods, built up a large and prosperous business, and is also known as a capable and successful contractor. He was born in Wintersville, Ohio, on the 17th of June, 1898, and is a son of Rev. T. H. and Mary (Elliott) Taylor. He was educated in the public schools of Minerva and the Washington high school and attended Ohio Wesleyan University two years. He entered the sales department of the Central Steel Alloy Corporation at Massillon, with

which concern he remained three years, and then engaged in the real estate business in this city, soon afterwards incorporating the Thomas H. Taylor Company, with offices in the First Savings & Loan Company building. In addition to a large general real estate business, he has done extensive subdivision work in the Oakdale allotment in Massillon and has been one of the principal factors in the development of that splendid section of the city. He has done a large amount of building contracting and has shown himself to be a business man of reliable judgment and high ideals, commanding the confidence of all who have had dealings with him.

On November 8, 1927, Mr. Taylor was united in marriage to Miss Mildred Sorg, of Massillon. In his political views he is a democrat, while his religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church. He is a member of Clinton Lodge, No. 47, F. & A. M.; Sciota Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Columbus; and Aladdin Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Columbus. He is vice president and a director of the Massillon Real Estate Board and is secretary of the Massillon Exchange Club. He has shown a genuine interest in the advancement of his city and county; has given his support to all measures for the civic and moral betterment of the community and to a marked degree enjoys the respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

IRA J. HOOVER

Ira J. Hoover, of Canton, has won a gratifying measure of success in the practice of law and gained a well merited reputation as a capable and reliable counselor. He is also rendering to his state valuable service in the recodifying of certain classes of its laws. Mr. Hoover was born at Greensburg, Summit county, Ohio, February 12, 1895, and is a son of Samuel J. and Ida (Royer) Hoover. His paternal ancestral line was of Swiss origin, with a mixture of French and German blood, members of the family migrating at an early period to Alsace-Lorraine, from which locality came the American progenitor of the family. Arriving in this country some time prior to the Revolutionary war, he settled in Connecticut, from which state later generations moved to Pennsylvania, locating in Lancaster county. Samuel J. Hoover, who



Ira J. Hoover

was a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Stoner) Hoover, was born in Summit county, Ohio, December 3, 1862, and devoted his efforts to farming and stock raising, as did his father before him. Late in life Samuel Hoover located in Lake township, Stark county, and there Samuel J. Hoover now resides. He is a republican in his political affiliations and is a Protestant in religious faith. His wife was born in Summit county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Jesse and Catherine (Humbert) Royer, members of old pioneer families, the Royers being of Pennsylvania German ancestry. To Samuel J. and Ida Hoover were born four children: Mary, who is the wife of Herman Young, a professor in Indiana University; Sylvia, the wife of Harvey Holshoy, dairy inspector in the health department of Canton; Dora, the wife of Donald Kameron, of South Bend, Indiana; and Ira J.

Ira J. Hoover attended the public schools of Hartville, Stark county, was graduated from high school in 1912, and then entered Ohio State University, later transferring to Ohio University, at Athens, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1920. He served from 1920 to 1924 as assistant superintendent of the Stark county schools, and during that period devoted his spare time to the study of law. In December, 1924, he was admitted to the bar and, locating in Canton, at once engaged in active practice. His rise in his profession has been rapid, as he early gave evidence of unusual qualifications as a lawyer, and he is now firmly established as one of the reliable and worthy members of the bar of this county.

On August 16, 1915, at Akron, Ohio, Mr. Hoover was united in marriage to Miss Cora Heintzelman, who was born in Stark county and is a daughter of John and Naomi (Shetler) Heintzelman, whose people have long been resident in Stark county. In his political views Mr. Hoover has always been a republican and is actively interested in local and state politics. In 1926 he was elected a member of the legislature and is now serving as a member of a special committee to recodify the criminal laws of this state, being also a member of the legislative judiciary committee, which is recodifying the corporations laws enacted by the past session of the general assembly. Mr. Hoover is a member of the Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association, and his religious membership is with the United Brethren church, to which he gives his earnest support.

Mr. Hoover well deserves the success which is now his, as he has attained his present position through unaided effort. He paid his way through college by teaching school and has worked hard through every step of his progress. Sterling integrity and honesty of purpose characterize his activities and he has proven well worthy of the confidence and respect which are accorded him by his fellowmen.

HENRY FRANK MOTTER

For nearly fifty years the name of Motter has been connected with blacksmithing in Canton, and H. Frank Motter, who now owns and conducts the business established by his father, has been identified with it continuously for thirty-five years, though in recent years he is specializing more in automobile repair work. Mr. Motter was born in Canton, on the 30th of June, 1875, and is a son of Jacob and Susan Motter, natives of Carroll county, Ohio, who are now deceased. The father was of German descent and one of his brothers, Felix Motter, served in the Union Army during the Civil war.

H. Frank Motter attended St. Peter's parochial school and the eighth grade of the public school, after which he took a course in bookkeeping in the Canton Actual Business College. In the meantime he had been devoting his spare time to helping his father in the blacksmith shop which he had been operating since 1880, and on completing his commercial studies he entered the shop as a full-time employee, working as a horseshoer and general blacksmith, in both of which lines he is an expert. In 1908 the firm name became Jacob Motter & Sons, under which style it is still conducted, though H. Frank Motter is now the sole owner. He still does some horseshoeing, but a large part of his business is in the repairing of automobile fenders and bodies, as well as automobile iron work. He has a well equipped shop and builds to order truck and commercial bodies, in which line also he is developing a good business.

On September 25, 1901, in St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, Canton, Rev. Victor Arnold pronounced the words which united Mr. Motter and Miss Nettie A. Piero, who was born in Canton, February 16, 1876, and is a daughter of John and Teresa

(Bergold) Piero, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Motter is a devout member of St. John's Roman Catholic church and its Altar Society, as well as of the Daughters of America. Mr. and Mrs. Motter are the parents of two children, Paul J., born January 9, 1906, and Alfred J., born February 23, 1909. In his political alignment, Mr. Motter is a staunch democrat and ever since attaining manhood he has shown a deep interest in the welfare of his community, supporting those measures which are calculated to promote the city's prosperity and advancement. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and belongs to St. Peter's Roman Catholic church. He is a good business man, faithful in all of his engagements, true to the highest ideals of citizenship and cordial and sincere in his social relations, so that he has proven worthy of the confidence which is accorded him by his fellowmen.

GODFREY GESEN

Godfrey Gesen, now rendering a high type of service as postmaster at Massillon, well merits this position by virtue of his long and efficient record in the post office, with which he has been actively connected for twenty-eight years. He was born in Massillon on the 24th of January, 1872, and is a son of Matthias and Barbara (Fleick) Gesen, the former of whom was a native of Switzerland. He received a good practical education in the public schools of the city, and in 1900 he was appointed a clerk in the post office under Postmaster Koons. Through his intelligent and loyal service he gained successive promotions to general delivery clerk, foreman and superintendent, and on November 17, 1921, he was appointed postmaster by President Harding, his selection being brought about through his exceptional efficiency in the work of the office, not being in any way a political appointment. His administration has been marked by a high degree of effectiveness in every department of the office, which is a matter of frequent comment.

On October 18, 1898, in Massillon, Mr. Gesen was united in marriage to Miss Louisa Gleitsman, who was also born and reared in this city, and they are the parents of two sons, Carl G., who was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Anna-

polis in 1923 and is now a lieutenant on Submarine S-10; and Earl M., who is a clerk in the Massillon post office.

Mr. Gesen is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Kiwanis Club and the Massillon Chamber of Commerce, and he and his wife are earnest members of St. Paul's Lutheran church. Because of his sterling character and consistent life, Mr. Gesen has won the confidence and esteem of his fellow-men and is regarded as a distinct asset to his community.

WILLIAM HOWARD MILLER

William Howard Miller, attorney and counsellor at law, was born August 7, 1880, at Wooster, Wayne county, Ohio, a son of Frank W. Miller and Alice (Howard) Miller. In both paternal and maternal lines he represents honored pioneer families of the state. On the paternal side he is a grandson of David D. and Rebecca (Morris) Miller and a great-grandson of John and Elizabeth (Deppen) Miller and of William and Hanna (Smith) Morris. On the maternal side he is a grandson of William and Angelica (Crump) Howard and a great-grandson of Horace and Lydia (White) Howard and of Alfred and Margaret (Walters) Crump. While his ancestry is principally of English extraction there is also in the family line an admixture of Dutch, French, Welsh and Scotch-Irish blood tempered by several generations in America.

Mr. Miller's father was born in New Franklin, Stark county, Ohio, and his mother in Wooster. His father was a hardware merchant and manufacturer in Wooster and Canton. His brothers, D. D. Miller and Frank W. Miller, reside in Canton and are president and treasurer respectively of the Ney Manufacturing Company, of which company his sister Charlotte M. Bell (Mrs. S. H.), residing at Wooster, is vice president. This company was founded about fifty years ago in Canton by members of the Miller family, including Mr. Miller's father and has continued as a family corporation to the present time. It manufactures a large line of hay-unloading and dairy barn equipment, hardware specialties, weld-less chain, etc.

During the boyhood and youth of Mr. Miller the family continued to reside in Wooster, where he attended the public schools

and was graduated from the Wooster high school with the class of 1898. He then entered the College of Wooster, where he pursued a regular collegiate course which was interrupted by a severe attack of typhoid fever, so that he did not graduate until 1903, when he received the degree of Ph. B. He then spent one year in the factory at Canton and in travel, and entered Harvard Law School at Cambridge, Massachusetts, in the fall of 1904. In December, 1906, he passed the Ohio bar examinations and in June, 1907, was graduated from Harvard with the degree of LL.B. He returned to Wooster and became a member of the Wayne county bar and was registered as a patent attorney in the United States patent office at Washington in August, 1907. In January, 1908, he with the other members of his father's family, removed to Canton, where he formed a partnership with a much older attorney, Fred W. Bond, Esquire, under the firm name of Bond & Miller, specializing in the practice of patent, trade-mark, copyright, unfair competition and corporation law. He was admitted to practice in the United States district court September 11, 1911. The firm of Bond & Miller was dissolved in 1914, owing to the pressing need for Mr. Miller's services in several personal and family enterprises. Since that time his practice has been limited to these special, diversified interests.

At Pleasant Ridge, Hamilton county, Ohio, July 1, 1908, Mr. Miller married Miss Edith B. Browne, a native of Mount Sterling, Madison county, Ohio, and a daughter of the Rev. George S. J. and Emma (Carpenter) Browne. Her father was a Presbyterian minister, scion of a pioneer Cincinnati family of English ancestry, while the Carpenters were an old and well known family of Westerville, Franklin county, Ohio. Mrs. Miller spent much of her girlhood in Bowling Green, Ohio, and later at Cincinnati and is a graduate of Woodward high school at Cincinnati with the class of 1898 and of Oxford College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and for some time was a student at the University of Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have two daughters, both natives of Canton: Elizabeth Browne Miller, born June 11, 1909, who was graduated from McKinley high school at Canton in 1927 and is a sophomore at the College of Wooster; and Alice Browne Miller, born December 6, 1911, now a senior at McKinley high school.

Mr. Miller is secretary of The Ney Manufacturing Company of Canton and of the Collier Printing Company of Wooster. He

is also vice president of The Canton Bank & Trust Company and a director in several corporations. He is a trustee of the College of Wooster and a member of the administrative committee of that institution; also he is trustee of the First Presbyterian church, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Public Library in Canton.

In religious affiliation Mr. Miller is a member of St. James Episcopal church at Wooster, and he and his family are also members of the First Presbyterian church of Canton. He is a member of the Stark County and Ohio State Bar Associations, of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and of Beta Delta Beta inter-fraternity, a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Canton and of the Brookside Country Clubs. His wife is a member of the woman's advisory board of the College of Wooster and a member of the Canton Woman's Club, the Open Door Club and the College Club of Canton.

MAURICE W. WENDLING

The present city solicitor of Massillon, Maurice W. Wendling, is a comparatively recent addition to the Stark county bar but has shown himself possessed of the requisite attributes of the successful lawyer and is building up a very gratifying practice. He was born in Massillon on the 21st of October, 1902, and is a son of A. F. and Louisa M. (Garwig) Wendling, the former of whom died in 1914.

Maurice W. Wendling attended the public schools of his home city, graduating from the Washington high school, after which he attended Ohio State University and later completed his studies in the law department of Ohio Northern University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1926. He was admitted to the bar that year and at once entered upon the practice of his profession in Massillon. In 1927 he was nominated on the republican ticket for the office of city solicitor and was elected. He is painstaking and vigilant in looking after the city's legal interests, while in private practice he has been uniformly successful, winning a well merited reputation as a safe and reliable attorney.

Mr. Wendling gives his political support to the republican

party, and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Sigma Phi Epsilon college fraternity. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Bar Association and the Massillon Lawyers Club, while his religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church. He possesses a social nature, is cordial and friendly in manner, and throughout the community where he has spent his life he commands the respect and good will of his fellowmen.

CLARENCE R. BASHT

Clarence R. Basht has been handling the Chevrolet automobiles at Massillon for twelve years, during which period he has not only sold many of these well known cars throughout this district but has at the same time earned a reputation for square dealing which has been one of his most valuable assets.

Mr. Basht was born on a farm south of Navarre, Stark county, January 6, 1888, and is a son of Charles D. and Clara Idilla (Hair) Basht, both of whom are deceased. He was reared at home and received a good public school education, after which he worked for the McCullough Heights Dairy for eight years. In 1913 he engaged in the automobile repair business, and two years later became the local dealer in Reo cars, to which he added the Chevrolet in the following year. He sold both cars until 1920, since which time he has been an exclusive dealer in Chevrolets. His salesroom, office and repair shop are located at 256 Erie street, south, where he is well equipped for the proper conduct of his business. He has devoted his time closely to this enterprise, which he has developed into a large and prosperous business, and is now numbered among the leading automobile dealers of Stark county.

On June 1, 1910, Mr. Basht was united in marriage to Miss Bessie Way, of Massillon, and they are the parents of three children, Gwendolyn, Violet and Gladys. The republican party commands Mr. Basht's political allegiance, and he is a loyal and public-spirited citizen of his community. He is connected with the Kiwanis Club, of which he is president; the Chamber of Commerce and the National Auto Dealers Association. He and his wife are

earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Because of his fine business record and excellent personal qualities, Mr. Basht is held in the highest regard throughout the range of his acquaintance.

AUGUSTUS DANNEMILLER

At the age of eighty-two years Augustus Dannemiller remains an active factor in business life. He has long been a prominent figure in commercial circles in Canton and has contributed in notable measure to the growth and development of one of the city's foremost mercantile enterprises. There have been no spectacular phases in his career, his course being marked by that steady advancement which indicates the wise use of time, talent and opportunities. He has builded his success upon industry, determination and close application and as the president of the Dannemiller Grocery Company he stands as one of the foremost business men of his native city.

His birth occurred April 27, 1846, his parents being Benedict and Barbara (Scheiber) Dannemiller. The father, a native of Alsace, France, displayed a most courageous spirit when at the age of fifteen years he came alone to America, arriving in this country in 1829. He did not tarry on the Atlantic seaboard but made his way at once into the interior, settling at Canton, Ohio, where his remaining days were passed. In early life he followed blacksmithing and subsequently turned his attention to the grain trade, establishing one of the first elevators in Canton and conducting a successful business for many years. Here he passed away in 1897, having reached the age of eighty-three. His wife, also a native of France, came to the new world with her parents, who settled in Canton in 1820, her father engaging in farming in Osnaburg township, Stark county, where he and his wife spent their remaining days. Their daughter, Mrs. Barbara Dannemiller, was called to her final rest in 1876, at the age of seventy-seven years. She was the mother of eight children, four sons and four daughters, of whom three sons are yet living.

Augustus Dannemiller acquired a public school education in Canton but at the age of twelve years put aside his textbooks and

worked on his father's farm and in his grain elevator. In 1869, when a young man of twenty-three years, he turned his attention to the wholesale grocery business in association with his father and brother William, two other brothers, Edward and Julius, becoming connected with the business a few years later. Augustus Dannemiller had learned lessons of value as a farmer and with the same thoroughness that has always characterized him set himself to the task of mastering every phase of mercantile life. The firm, organized in 1869, purchased the wholesale grocery house of Thomas Kimball & Brothers, which had been established in 1867 and when taken over by the Dannemiller firm was a small concern, having but twenty-four hundred feet of floor space. Gradually trade was developed through the enterprising and progressive methods of the firm and today their plant covers one hundred and thirteen thousand square feet and employment is furnished on an average to eighty people, while the business extends through eight counties. Starting out in this field in young manhood, Augustus Dannemiller applied himself closely to the business, studied the conditions of trade and put forth every possible effort to promote the interests of the house and increase its commercial connections. From the beginning he recognized the fact that satisfied patrons are the best advertisement and has ever insisted upon courteous and obliging service as well as thorough reliability in every trade transaction. In 1875 the Dannemiller Grocery Company started one of the first coffee-roasting establishments in the United States and has since continued in this field in connection with the wholesale grocery trade, having today one of the most modern coffee-roasting plants in the country. They make large importations of the green bean and the roasted product is placed upon the market under the name of Dannemiller's Royal Blend coffee and Golden Blend coffee. The wholesale grocery house is situated at Nos. 200 to 220 Cherry avenue, southeast, and has long been one of the most important commercial assets of Canton. Augustus Dannemiller became president of the company in 1902 and his associate officers are: Frank T. Dannemiller, director and manager; Austin Lynch, vice president; W. A. Phillips, treasurer; and I. B. Rinehart, secretary.

On the 19th of February, 1873, in Canton, Augustus Dannemiller was united in marriage to Miss Julia Thierry, who was born in Canal Fulton, Ohio, a daughter of Francis and Catherine

(Tyler) Thierry, representing old and prominent families. Mr. and Mrs. Dannemiller are the parents of three daughters and three sons. The eldest of the family, Katherine, who resides in Cincinnati, Ohio, is now the widow of William Y. Cartwright, and has five children, William, Robert, Frank, Richard and Julia Cartwright. Lieutenant Colonel Augustus Dannemiller, who resides in Washington, D. C., wedded Annie McCleave and has three children: William, attending the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York; Mary; and "Teddy," baptized Edward. Mary F. Dannemiller is the third in order of birth in the family. Robert J. Dannemiller, who makes his home in Sacramento, California, married Miss Aida Burchfield, and has a family of three children, Barbara, Robert and Aida. Frank T. Dannemiller married Miss Josephine McCarty and has three children, Franklin, Augustus (II) and Joan. Julianne Dannemiller is the youngest member of the family.

In his political views Mr. Dannemiller maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than party. He has membership in St. John's Catholic church and with the Knights of Columbus. He also belongs to the Canton Club and to the Brookside Country Club and is ever a welcome member in the activities of those organizations. Throughout his life his fellow-men have found him genial, courteous and obliging, while his standards are such as make for honorable manhood and citizenship. The sterling worth of his character is attested by all who know him, and his record stands in contradistinction to the old adage that a prophet is never without honor save in his own country, for in the community in which he has spent his entire life Augustus Dannemiller commands the respect and good will of all who know him.

CHARLES BARNES

The Fairmount Provision Company, of Alliance, of which Charles Barnes is president and general manager, is one of the leading wholesale meat concerns of Stark county. Mr. Barnes, who has been the leading spirit in this enterprise, has had long experience in the meat business and is a man of progressive ideas and sound business judgment.



CHARLES BARNES

He was born in Beloit, Mahoning county, Ohio, March 31, 1885, and is a son of James W. and Olive (McCorkle) Barnes. The Father was born near Baltimore, Maryland, and died in Alliance, Ohio, September 18, 1900, at the age of forty-six years. During the greater part of his active business career he conducted a retail meat market in Alliance; was a man of fine personal qualities and was highly regarded by all who knew him. He was a republican in his political alignment and was a member of the Baptist church. His parents were Amos and Avarilla (Gilbert) Barnes, both of whom were born on the border of the Chesapeake bay, near Baltimore, Maryland, whence they migrated to Ohio and settled at Salem, Columbiana county, where Amos Barnes engaged in farming. He was a republican and a member of the Presbyterian church. Olive (McCorkle) Barnes was born at North Jackson, Ohio, and died in Alliance, September 18, 1920, at the age of sixty-six years. She was a daughter of Hyne Wilbur and Lorinda (Pew) McCorkle, of North Jackson, where her father engaged in farming, and where their deaths occurred. They were members of the Baptist church, and Mr. McCorkle supported the democratic party.

Charles Barnes received his education in the public schools of Alliance and then worked in a meat market owned by his brother, H. W. Barnes, with whom he remained three years. At the end of that time he opened a retail meat market of his own at the corner of Broadway and Webb streets, which he conducted for three years, after which he went to North Lawrence, Ohio, and established a small wholesale meat business, carrying it on for two years. Returning to Alliance, he opened "The Table Meat Market," at the corner of Broadway and Liberty streets, which he conducted for three years, and then started the Fairmount Provision Company, on the Fairmount road, near the Children's Home. This was a wholesale business and he carried it on successfully until 1920, when he organized the Fairmount Provision Company of Alliance, doing business at the corner of Grant and Willow streets. Of this concern he is president and general manager, and is now doing a splendid and steadily growing wholesale meat business.

On April 19, 1925, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Mr. Barnes was united in marriage to Miss Viola Sheridan, who was born in Michigan City, Indiana, May 9, 1895, a daughter of the late J. S. Sheridan, of that city. Mrs. Barnes is a graduate of the Michigan City

high school and is an earnest member of the Lutheran church. By a former marriage Mr. Barnes has two children: Vera Mildred, born July 23, 1904, attended the Alliance public schools and Mount Union College and was graduated from the Alliance Business College. She is now the wife of George Richards, owner of the Richards Service Station in Alliance; Doris May, born September 23, 1914, is a pupil in the Alliance high school.

Mr. Barnes is a republican in his political views and is a member of the First Christian church. He is fond of horse racing and other outdoor sports, and his company has a football team, known as "The Fairmount Bulls," which won the championship of Stark county in 1927. Though his business makes heavy demands on his time, he does not neglect his duties as a citizen and everything relating to the welfare and prosperity of his city or county commands his interest and support. A successful business man, loyal citizen and a constant and dependable friend and neighbor, he is well worthy of the high regard in which he is held throughout the community.

AUSTIN LYNCH

In professional and financial circles of Stark county the name of Austin Lynch is well known. He is identified with banking interests and with the practice of law in Canton, being now a partner in the firm of Lynch, Day, Fimple, Pontius & Lynch. The family name has long been closely interwoven with the history of this part of Ohio. His father, Arnold Lynch, established his home in Canton in pioneer times and was active in promoting the initial work in the development of the coal fields of Stark county, a work with which he had become familiar through previous experience in western Pennsylvania. He was born in Ireland but in young manhood crossed the Atlantic and while residing in Stark county met and married Frances Horan, also a native of the Emerald Isle. Arnold Lynch devoted a part of his life to surveying and many years ago filled the office of county surveyor and county recorder of Stark county. He worked steadily, always pressing forward to some goal ahead, and his contribution to the early development and progress of Stark county and the state was of

great worth. He took an active interest in railroad building in pioneer times and was one of the promoters of the project which led to the building of the Ohio & Pennsylvania Railroad, now the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad, and also of the Mahoning Valley & Cleveland Railway between Youngstown and Cleveland. Other railroad enterprises benefited by his progressive spirit, and his worth to the community both as a business man and as a citizen was widely acknowledged. He passed away in 1856, but his name is placed high on the roll of Stark county's valuable pioneer citizens.

His son, Austin Lynch, was born in Canton, receiving his education in the public schools of the city and at Mount St. Mary's College at Emmitsburgh, Maryland. He was probably influenced in his choice of a profession by the fact that his elder brother, William A. Lynch, was already a successful member of the Canton bar, practicing as the senior partner of the firm of Lynch & Day. Austin Lynch pursued his reading in his brother's office and in the law department of the University of Michigan and qualified for practice, passing the required examination and on the 17th of April, 1878, he joined the law firm of Lynch & Day, at which time the firm style was changed to Lynch, Day & Lynch. For a half century he has now practiced in Canton and the years have chronicled his steady progress. While advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, no dreary novitiate awaited him. He soon gave demonstration of his industry and devotion to his profession. His success was based upon a comprehensive and accurate knowledge of legal principles and procedure. Throughout his life he has always prepared his cases with great thoroughness and care and has seemed to lose sight of no detail, however small, while at the same time he has given due prominence and emphasis to that important point upon which the decision of every case finally turns. While his loyalty to the interests of his clients has become proverbial, he has never forgotten that he owes a still higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. In recent years his professional labors have been confined largely to office practice. With the passing years various changes have occurred in the personnel of the law firm, with Austin Lynch remaining continuously as a partner, until today he is at the head of the firm of Lynch, Day, Fimple, Pontius & Lynch, a firm of prominence not only in Canton but throughout the state. Mr. Lynch also figures prominently in finan-

cial circles of his native county as president formerly of the Central Savings Bank and now of the First National Bank of Canton.

In 1888 he married Carrie B. Killinger, of Massillon, Ohio. They have a family of seven sons and daughters. Two of his sons, James and Edward, are associated with him in the practice of law.

ADAM J. MILLER

Adam J. Miller has become a notable figure in the transportation affairs of Stark county, being president and general manager of the Buckeye Coach Company, which operates a number of bus lines in and about Canton. He has built up the business from a small beginning and its steady growth has been due to his excellent judgment and progressive methods. Mr. Miller was born near Cairo, Plain township, Stark county, May 24, 1888, and is a son of Henry and Sarah (Druckenbrod) Miller, the former a native of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. They now reside on the Plain Center road, near Canton. The family was established in Stark county by Mr. Miller's grandfather, Harry Miller, who came here from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where the family had settled in an early day.

Adam J. Miller secured his education in the Whitehall school, south of Cairo, and the Franklin Hall school, east of Waerstler's church, in Stark county, after which he gave his attention to farming until twenty-three years of age, when he came to Canton and went to work for the Gilliam Manufacturing Company, with which concern he remained about two and one-half years. He had studied the transportation problem of this city and in 1915 began to operate a "jitney" bus from the square up Twelfth street northeast to Maple avenue. At the end of a year, satisfied as to the success of this type of transportation, he bought a sixteen-passenger Studebaker bus, of street car type body, which he operated for several years. He then made still further advancement in his equipment by buying and putting into the service the modern twenty-five-passenger types of busses. In 1924, having demonstrated the practicability of his system, he incorporated the business under the name of the Buckeye Coach Company, capitalized for fifty thousand dollars, of which he became president and general man-

ager, and this company has had a very steady and substantial growth in business. They now operate ten coaches, all of the twenty-five passenger type, and cover three city routes, Twelfth street and Maple avenue, Ninth street and Dueber avenue southwest and Fifteenth street and Harrison street southwest, besides running an interurban bus line from Canton to Ravenna. Mr. Miller also owns more than a third interest in the McKinley Monument bus line. The company's service plant and office is located at 1025 Tenth street northwest, where it has sixteen thousand eight hundred feet of floor space. Here are carried a full supply of repair parts and a day and night garage is maintained for the repair and upkeep of the busses, nineteen men being employed in the operation and service department. Mr. Miller gives close attention to the various details connected with the operation of the business, in which he has shown splendid judgment.

On March 18, 1913, in North Canton, Ohio, Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Viletta V. Lauby, a daughter of Levi and Alice (York) Lauby, the former now deceased and the latter a resident of Canton. Mrs. Miller, who is of German descent, is a member of the Willowdale Country Club. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are the parents of four children, Howard Paul, Sarah Alice, Helen Viletta and Ruth Eleanor, all of whom are attending the Gibbs Avenue public school. The republican party receives Mr. Miller's support, and he is a member of Willowdale Country Club and the Optimist Club, while the family attend the Anglican church of this city. Mr. Miller has shown marked enterprise, industry and sagacity in all of his business affairs and has well earned the success which has crowned his efforts, as well as the respect and esteem in which he is held throughout the community.

ROY DONALD MOORE

In an era marked by the sudden rise of newspapers everywhere to financial importance and institutional magnitude, a youthful figure has come to vivid identification with Ohio journalism. Roy Donald Moore, at the age of forty, is co-owner, vice president and general manager of five outstanding properties, namely: The Canton Repository, The Marion Star, The Steubenville Herald-

Star, The East Liverpool Review and The Salem News, all operated under the corporate supervision of Brush-Moore Newspapers, Inc.

Mr. Moore was born August 25, 1887, on a farm near McArthur, Vinton county, Ohio, to William T. and Elizabeth Moore. Eight years later the family removed to Middleport, Ohio, and there a young man's life of industry started as many other successful careers have begun. Roy Moore became a messenger boy. Through this occupation, after school hours, he learned telegraphy. At the age of fifteen he became an accredited operator for the Hocking Valley Railway at Hobson, Ohio, junction point of the Hocking Valley and the Kanawha & Michigan.

The wide world flows through the wrist of a telegraph operator and the loneliness of a wayside station becomes mythical with the click of electric conversation from a hundred cities within elbow's reach. The lure of cities reached this young operator, goaded by ambition and awaiting opportunity. He went to Columbus in the employ of the Western Union, thence to Cleveland and there found the door to newspaperdom through a place with The Associated Press as division telegrapher. Soon an intimacy with newspapers asserted itself and he joined The Cleveland Leader at the age of eighteen, later joining The Cleveland News.

In 1913, when Dayton was deluged and the lower half of Ohio under flood waters, Mr. Moore was drafted by International News Service to assist in covering this tremendous story. Recognition for his services came a short time later by his appointment as editor and manager of the Columbus bureau maintained by International News Service as a news collection and distribution point for client newspapers in Ohio.

A year later he was promoted to management of the Chicago bureau of the same organization, going later to the New York headquarters which were allied with King Features Syndicate, Inc., producers and distributors of art and editorial elements which are today part of newspapers everywhere. He traveled extensively, representing the news service and feature syndicate in the negotiation of contracts with newspaper publishers. He became assistant to the general manager and, at the instance of President Harding whom he had known through the latter's ownership of The Marion Star, was again "drafted", this time to become general manager and publisher of the Portland (Maine) Press for Sen-

ator Frederick Hale. He brought about the sale of the Press to Guy Gannett, an outstanding Maine publisher, and thereupon accepted an assignment from King Features Syndicate to make a newspaper survey of South America.

Three months later, upon returning to the United States, he determined to return to Ohio and establish a family residence in Columbus. Mr. Moore and Louis H. Brush, publisher of The East Liverpool Review and The Salem News, in association, in 1923, bought The Marion Star from President Harding, concluding the transaction three days before the President left Washington on his ill-fated journey to Alaska.

In 1925, Mr. Brush and Mr. Moore purchased The Steubenville Herald-Star from Charles D. Simeral and associates. The Herald-Star was once owned by the paternal grandfather of President Wilson. In May, 1927, The Canton Repository became the property of Mr. Brush and Mr. Moore by purchase from George B. Frease. The Repository was once partly owned by William McKinley before his presidency, thus making the third under Brush-Moore ownership to be known as "Presidential newspapers."

Mr. Moore established residence in Canton in 1927. Married in 1910 to Miss Lucile Dyke, a childhood sweetheart who lived at Clifton, West Virginia, across the river from Middleport, there has come to this union two children, William T. and Esther Jane, born respectively January 19, 1911, and February 26, 1915. He is active in the civic and industrial development of Canton and Stark county, a Mason, Rotarian, member of the Canton Club, Brookside Country Club and member of the National Press Club of Washington.

DAVID NEIL

One of the best all-round automobile service establishments in Canton is that of the Neil Starter & Electric Company, at Harrison avenue and Tuscarawas street west, which is owned and operated by David Neil, who, by close and painstaking attention to the needs of his customers, has established a high reputation for reliability and has built up a substantial business. Mr. Neil

was born at Blythe, Northumberland county, England, August 21, 1887, and is a son of William and Elizabeth (Dawson) Neil, the former born in southern Scotland, and the latter in Seaton Delaval, England, and both now deceased.

David Neil secured his public school education at Colgate, Oklahoma, Pittsburg, Kansas, Dingis, West Virginia, Newcomers-town, Ohio, and Mineral City, Ohio, where he attended high school two years. He went to work in a power house at Mineral City, where he was employed until 1919, when he came to Canton and for one year worked for the Coughenour Electric Company. In 1920 he established the Neil Starter & Electric Company, located at 1924 Walnut street northeast until 1924, when he came to his present location at Harrison avenue and Tuscarawas street west, where he has a large and up-to-date plant. Here he handles the sales and service for the A. C. speedometers, National batteries and Lee tires, makes all other tire repairs, rewinds armatures, does all kinds of generator and ignition work, repairs all kinds of electric motors, and sells Freedom gasoline and oils. He takes a justifiable pride in the high quality of his work, for he knows that satisfied customers are his best advertisement, and this has been one of the foundation stones on which he has built up his business.

On July 4, 1918, at the home of the bride's sister in Raton, New Mexico, Mr. Neil was united in marriage to Miss Helen Lucile Hill, who is a native of Colorado and is of Scotch descent. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hill, who now reside in San Diego, California. Mr. and Mrs. Neil have two children, Constance and David Earl, the former now attending the West Clarendon public school. Mr. Neil is a stanch republican in his political affiliation and takes a helpful interest in public affairs. He is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in the Motor Transport Corps at Austin, Texas, early in 1918. He was assigned to Unit 309 and was sent to New York city, where they embarked for the seat of war. They landed at Liverpool, traveled by rail to Winchester and Southampton, England, thence across the channel to La Havre, France. For awhile Mr. Neil was engaged in the repairing of airplane motors and other similar work at Romerantin, and was later at Dijon and Langres, where he remained until the armistice was signed. Eight months later he sailed for home, and was sent to San Antonio, Texas, where he

was honorably discharged. A man of earnest motives, strong character and straightforward manner, he stands deservedly high among those who know him and all who come into contact with him are favorably impressed by his manner and business methods.

STANLEY M. BALTZLY

One of the oldest drug stores in Stark county is that now conducted by Stanley M. Baltzly at Massillon, it having been established by his father, Z. T. Baltzly, in 1869. The latter was born in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, in September, 1848, and was a son of John and Lydia (Miller) Baltzly, the former born in 1821 and the latter in 1831 in the same county. The Baltzlys were of Huguenot stock. Z. T. Baltzly was one of a family of nine children and he remained on his father's farm until sixteen years of age, at which time he entered school at Tiffin, Ohio, there completing his education. In 1869 he removed to Massillon and became interested in the drug business with a partner under the name of Demuth & Company. Two years later the firm was changed to Baltzly & Good and this partnership lasted until 1874, after which Mr. Baltzly continued the business alone. He passed away on the 14th of November, 1913. In 1872 he had married Miss Mary E. Morganthaler, a daughter of Henry Morganthaler, who came to the United States from Germany in 1833. To Mr. and Mrs. Baltzly were born three children: Edwin B., Stanley M. and Mary E.

Stanley M. Baltzly was born in Massillon, December 8, 1879, and in the public schools of that city acquired his early education. Later he entered the pharmacy school of Ohio State University, from which he received the degree of Graduate in Pharmacy in 1902. He was then associated in business with his father until the latter's retirement a few months prior to his death, and in March, 1915, he became sole owner of the business. He carries a full line of pure drugs and standard proprietary remedies, as well as a select stock of sundries, toilet articles and such lines as are usually found in an up-to-date drug store.

In 1903 Mr. Baltzly established a wholesale physician and barber supply business in connection with his retail drug store, and this he conducted for about ten years, but at the end of that

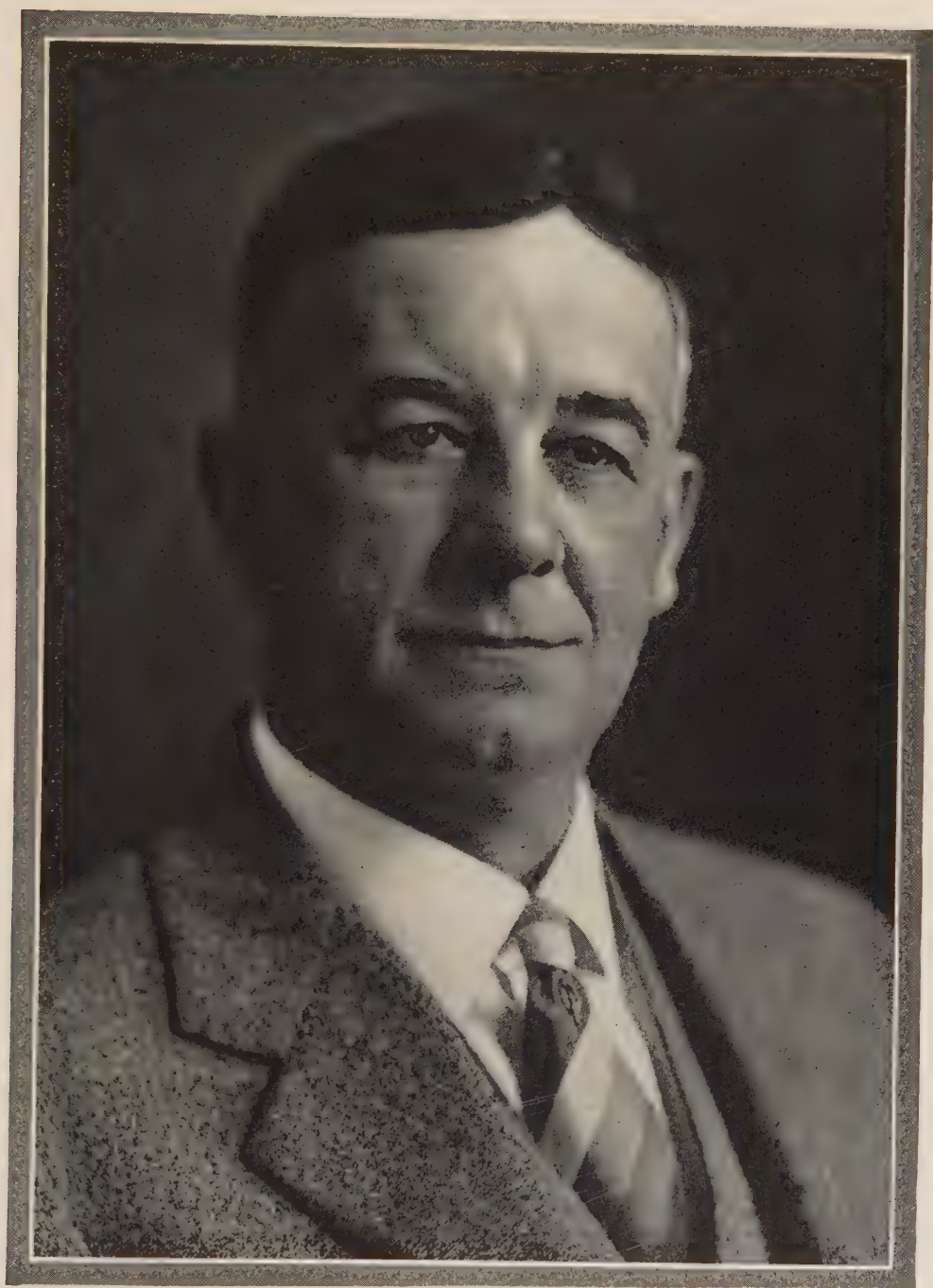
time he disposed of the physicians supply business and increased the barber supply. It was necessary to secure larger quarters and the wholesale barber supply business was moved to Canton in 1923, at which time an interest in the business was turned over to Harry G. Keller and Milton M. Zink. At present it is run under the name of "The Baltzly Company, Canton, Ohio," and is in a prosperous condition.

On the 20th of November, 1907, Mr. Baltzly married Miss Edna Viola Ayers and they have three children: Stanley M., Jr., Maxine and Mary.

Politically Mr. Baltzly is a supporter of the republican party and has shown a commendable interest in local public affairs. He is a past president and a director of the Massillon Chamber of Commerce and is a charter member of the Rotary Club. A man of good business and executive ability, he has prospered in his material affairs and is now a director of the Massillon Savings & Loan Company and the Massillon Mortgage Company in addition to the business already mentioned. He is honorable in all his dealings and commands the respect of those with whom he comes in contact.

IRVIN S. SWEANEY

Irvin S. Sweaney, of Canton, is the owner of one of the leading baking establishments in Stark county and has back of him a splendid business record, the development of this organization standing in marked evidence of his sound judgment, his progressive methods and the high quality of his products, which are in demand throughout this section of the state. Mr. Sweaney was born at Sandyville, Stark county, Ohio, January 26, 1873, and is a son of William M. and Margaret Evans (Cable) Sweaney, both of whom are natives of Ohio, his father having been born at Sandyville, December 18, 1844, and his mother at East Sparta in 1852. The Sweaney family is of Scotch and Welsh origin, Mr. Sweaney's great-grandfather, William Sweaney, being the founder of the family in Ohio. Coming from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1804, he settled near Sandyville, where he spent his remaining years. His son, Emanuel Sweaney, went to



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North Dakota in an early day, but came back to Ohio in 1850 and at the opening of the Civil war enlisted in the Union Army, serving under Captain Charles Harger. He participated in the battles of Kenesaw Mountain and Nashville and was honorably discharged in 1865. One of his sons, Emanuel G., also was a soldier in that conflict. I. S. Sweaney has two brothers and two sisters, namely: Clyde C., who lives at 311 Sixteenth street northeast, Canton; W. Ray, who lives at 922 Sixth street northeast, Canton; Mrs. Olive Goughnour, of Jefferson City, Tennessee; and Clementine A., of 311 Sixteenth street northwest, Canton.

Irvin S. Sweaney received a grammar school education at Sandyville and then went to Knoxville, Tennessee, where he took the commercial course in the Knoxville Business College. For about a year he ran a fruit store in that city and then came to Alliance, Ohio, where he worked for the Morgan Engineering Company for about six months. Coming then to Canton, he was employed as a clerk by D. L. Rose for three and a half years, after which he engaged in the grocery and feed business on his own account, conducting it until 1896, when he entered the employ of the W. L. Stolzenbach bakery as a salesman. He followed that line of work until June, 1914, when he established a bakery of his own. Beginning on a modest scale, with a weekly output of eighteen hundred loaves of bread, he gradually built up his business, mainly through the merits of his bread, as well as by his enterprising business methods, until now his output averages between seventy-five and eighty thousand loaves of bread weekly, and, instead of the one horse which he formerly used, seventeen large trucks are operated daily, covering a wide territory, including Dennison, Uhrichsville, New Philadelphia and Malvern. Mr. Sweaney's specialties are the "Butter Crust" and "Luxury" loaves, than which there is no better bread made anywhere. He has given painstaking attention to his business, and has met with well merited prosperity. He is also president of the Canton Building Company, president of the Preferred Mortgage Company, vice president of the Whipple Heights Realty Company, a director of the Canton Bank and Trust Company and a director of the Income Bond and Securities Company.

On May 14, 1895, at the Lutheran parsonage in Canton, Rev. Schmucker pronounced the words which united Mr. Sweaney and Miss Esther E. Arnold. Born in Canton, August 14, 1876, she is a

daughter of Jacob and Mary (Snyder) Arnold, the former born in Prussia, Germany, February 16, 1849, coming to Canton, Ohio, in 1871, while the latter was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Sweaney have a daughter, Marjorie Iona, born July 1, 1896, now the wife of Leo A. Wuske, of this city, and the mother of Eillene Virginia, born September 28, 1924; Ward Henry, December 2, 1926, and Donna Jean, born December 7, 1927. Mr. Sweaney is a republican in his political views and is a member of Nimisilla Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Buckeye Lodge, K. P., and Canton Lodge, L. O. O. M. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Reformed church of Canton, to which they give liberal support. Mr. Sweaney is a very busy man, but has never neglected his obligations of citizenship, maintaining a deep interest in everything pertaining to the welfare and progress of his city and county, and commands uniform confidence and respect of all.

COLONEL HARRY FREASE

Colonel Harry Frease has been a well known attorney of Canton since 1886. Moreover, he is identified with many business enterprises that are considered assets in the commercial development of the city and is as well an outstanding figure in military circles. In his chosen profession he has largely specialized in patent law and few men in Ohio have attained greater prominence in this field.

Colonel Frease is a native son of Canton, his birth having occurred in 1865. His father, Judge Joseph Frease, who was one of the best known lawyers of Stark county, was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1851 and from 1856 until 1858 filled the office of county prosecuting attorney, while from 1867 until 1877 he occupied the bench of the common pleas court of the ninth judicial district. In 1856 he formed a law partnership with his father-in-law, Judge Belden, an association that was maintained until Judge Frease went upon the bench, and following his judicial term he resumed the private practice of law, in which he continued until his demise on the 3d of September, 1909. Judge George W. Belden, the grandfather of Colonel Frease, was also at one time a representative of the Ohio judiciary and was United States dis-

trict attorney, for the northern district of Ohio under President Buchanan. The family has long been resident in this state. He was closely associated with the late President McKinley, who succeeded Judge Frease as a partner of Mr. Belden when the firm of Belden & Frease was dissolved at the time the latter went upon the bench.

Colonel Frease completed his public school training by a course in the Canton high school, and later he took a special course in anatomy and dissection in the Western Reserve College of Cleveland during the winters of 1889 and 1890. He was a youth of but sixteen years when he secured the position of chairman with the engineering corps of the Cleveland, Canton, Coshocton & Straitsville Railroad, now the Cleveland-Zanesville division of the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad. He served in that capacity until February 19, 1884, after which he spent a few months as chief draftsman for the Ohio Railway Company, now the Northern Ohio Railroad. When he withdrew from that connection he became a member of the firm of Frease Brothers and later was a partner in the engineering firm of Frease & Reed of Canton until 1890. Two years previously, or in 1888, he became chief engineer of the Valley Railroad, now a part of the Baltimore & Ohio system, and while thus employed developed the location of the Akron and Chicago Junction division of the Baltimore & Ohio in 1890 and also the route of the Canton & East Liverpool Railway in 1895, this having since become a part of the Pennsylvania system. It was in 1900 that he entered actively upon law practice in partnership with his father under the firm style of Frease & Frease, and after the death of the senior partner in 1909 he practiced alone until October 1, 1918, when he became senior member of the firm of Frease, Merkel, Saywell & Bond, patent lawyers of Cleveland and Canton. From January 1, 1921, he was a member of the firm of Frease & Bond until the death of Fred W. Bond, April 9, 1928. He was admitted to practice before the supreme court of Ohio on the 4th of May, 1886, and to practice in the United States circuit and district courts of the northern district of Ohio on April 23, 1902, while in subsequent years he was admitted to practice in the United States district court for the northern district of Illinois, the United States circuit court for the second, sixth and seventh circuits, and on January 9, 1926, to the supreme court of the United States.

For twenty-eight years he has followed the profession in Can-

ton and has largely specialized in patent, railroad, corporation and commercial law. He is a solicitor of patents in the United States patent office and from 1900 until 1908 filled the position of right-of-way attorney for the Baltimore & Ohio road. His patent law practice calls him into federal courts throughout the United States and few men are regarded as authority upon this branch of the profession to as great a degree as is Harry Frease. Concentrating his efforts and attention upon this branch, he has so closely studied its underlying principles that there is no phase of patent law with which he is not familiar, and his knowledge of patent law cases is as comprehensive as his understanding of the basic principles of his work. In 1922 and 1923 Colonel Frease was president of the Cleveland Patent Law Association, and in 1924 was appointed by Secretary of the Interior Work as a member of a special committee to consider conditions and recommend changes in procedure in the Patent Office. The work of that committee extended through two years and a voluminous report was made April 15, 1926, to Secretary of Commerce Hoover, to whose department the Patent office had been transferred in May, 1925, since which time many of the reforms recommended by the committee have been carried into effect by legislation or by changes in the Rules of Practice in the Patent Office. Colonel Frease has been an active member of the American Bar Association since 1916, and from 1926 to 1928 was vice chairman of the patent section of said association. During the same period, he has been an active member of the American Patent Law Association, and from 1926 to 1929 served as a member of the board of managers of that association.

Naturally Colonel Frease's cooperation has been sought in other fields, and many business enterprises of Canton and of Ohio have profited by the stimulus of his efforts and the soundness of his judgment in business affairs. He was long associated with the Canton Stoneware Company, serving as secretary and treasurer in 1892 and 1893, after which he was made superintendent and held that office for two years, while from 1896 until 1899 he was again treasurer of this corporation, which is engaged in coal and clay mining and in the manufacture of stoneware, brick and other clay products. The Repository Printing Company of Canton numbered him among its directors, and he also served on the directorate of the Canton & East Liverpool Railway Company.

The importance and extent of his professional and business connection would alone entitle Colonel Frease to mention as one of the men of distinction in Ohio, but in military circles, too, he has gained equal fame, being long closely and prominently associated with the Ohio National Guard. As early as 1876, when he was but eleven years of age, he became one of the original members of the Canton Cadets, was later a non-commissioned officer and subsequently first lieutenant of that company. In 1884 he became first lieutenant and adjutant of the Canton Independent Battalion of Infantry and in 1885 was elected captain, commanding Company C of the battalion through a period of five years. He became captain of Company I of the Eighth Infantry Regiment of the Ohio National Guard and directed the organization in that connection for five years, beginning May 10, 1892, and continuing until May 10, 1897. With the rank of major he commanded the Canton Troop, a mounted citizen organization, which during the memorable campaign of 1896, when William McKinley was candidate for the presidency, received and escorted visiting delegations, and in that connection he also organized and directed the various parades held in Canton. As chief of staff of the chief marshal, he organized and directed the street arrangements in connection with the funeral when the remains of President McKinley were brought back to Canton for interment in September, 1901, arrangements which President Roosevelt is quoted as saying were "perfect". Again in 1907 Colonel Frease was actively in charge of the parade which featured so notably in the ceremonies attending the dedication of the McKinley Memorial. On the 19th of July, 1900, he was appointed lieutenant colonel and chief commissary of division of the Ohio National Guard, under command of Major General Charles Dick, and was transferred from the commissary department in January, 1906, by appointment as chief quartermaster of the division, while in the following July he became chief engineer officer of the division, continuing to serve in that capacity with the rank of lieutenant colonel until March, 1912, when he retired. On November 11, 1927, Colonel Frease was grand marshal of the military parade for the dedication of the National Guard Armory at Canton.

It will be seen from the foregoing that his progress, whether in military affairs, in engineering circles or in law practice has been continuous. Each step in his career has been a forward one,

bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. He has used his time and talents not only for the upbuilding of his own interests but for public service as well, and his name is inseparably associated with the history of Ohio and reflects further credit and honor upon an untarnished family name that figures notably in the annals of the state.

JOSEPH M. MARKLEY

It is doubtful whether there lives in Canton a more useful or popular man than Joseph M. Markley, who for nearly twenty years has been local manager for the R. G. Dun & Company Mercantile Agency. His record as business man, public-spirited citizen and loyal friend has stamped him as possessing to an unusual degree the combination of qualities which are peculiarly beneficial to society as it exists today. Large hearted, unselfish, a man among men, he stands "four square to every wind that blows," and has been not only successful in his business affairs, but has gained wide recognition because of his distinctive service for his fellowmen and his community.

Joseph Myron Markley was born in Orrville, Wayne county, Ohio, on the 16th of December, 1878, and is a son of Joel and Mary Emily (Dye) Markley, the latter of Scotch-Irish descent. The father was also born in Orrville, August 1, 1853, and the mother at Rinards Mills, Monroe county, Ohio, December 28, 1856. Mr. Markley's great-great-great-grandfather, John Markley, who was born in about 1725, was one of the earliest settlers of what was then the western frontier, now known as Somerset county, Pennsylvania, moving from eastern Pennsylvania to that locality in 1765. He was probably a descendant of Jacob Markley, who was born in Bonfield, Wurtemberg, Germany, in about 1702. His grandson, Joseph Markley, laid out the town of Salisbury, now known as Elk Lick, Pennsylvania, in 1796, and lived there until 1814, when he, with his twelve sons (each of whom weighed over two hundred pounds, was over six feet tall and noted for great physical strength) and two daughters, located in what is now the city of Ashland, Ohio, where they took up three hundred and twenty acres of land. They were numbered among the pioneers

of Ashland county, but about 1830 more than half of the brothers and sisters went to what is now Canton, Illinois. David, one of the sons, established the first store in that place. Joel Markley, the grandfather of Joseph M. Markley, of this review, moved from Ashland to Orrville, Ohio, in 1840 and there, sometime later, married Miss Lavina Long. Most of their descendants still live in Wayne county.

The Markleys for the most part have been agriculturists, though a few have invaded the fields of law, medicine, the ministry and the educational profession. One at least was a member of congress contemporaneously with Henry Clay. David Markley was a member of the legislature in Illinois and many others have occupied positions of honor, trust and responsibility. Some of them have rendered military service and one or two have achieved distinction along that line, as Alfred C. Markley, of Alton, Illinois, mentioned in "Who's Who" as a brigadier-general of the United States Army.

Joseph M. Markley received his educational training in the Orrville public and high schools and Smithville and Wooster Colleges. He spent his early years on the home farm and worked his way through school. He engaged in teaching for seven years and in June, 1907, became connected with R. G. Dun & Company as a commercial reporter. Faithful and efficient service won him deserved promotions and in January, 1910, he became manager for that concern in Canton, in which capacity he has continued to the present time, his long retention in that important position standing in unmistakable evidence of the effective manner in which he has cared for the company's interests.

On October 25, 1906, Mr. Markley was united in marriage to Miss Bertha A. Shetler, who was born January 6, 1882, and is a daughter of John F. and Matilda (Baker) Shetler, of Navarre, Stark county. To Mr. and Mrs. Markley have been born six children, namely: Myron Dale, now twenty-one years of age; Wayne, who died in infancy; Joseph Milton, aged sixteen years; Mary Alice, died in infancy; Lucille Emily, aged twelve years; Elizabeth Anne, aged eight years.

Mr. Markley is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has attained the Knights Templar degree in the York Rite and the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, and he is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He was at one time president of the Adcraft

Club, which had a membership of nearly four hundred, and has long been an active member of the Rotary Club, of which he has been secretary for seven years, and was recently elected governor of the twenty-first district of Rotary Clubs, comprising the major portion of the state of Ohio, assuming the office July 1, 1928. In this connection a surprise was sprung on Mr. Markley by his fellow Rotarians of Canton, who, on April 24, 1928, printed in the Canton Daily News a full-page "booster" for him for district governor. Among the many complimentary things said of him in that article was the following: "Election of Rotarian Markley as district governor brings to him a well earned and deserved honor, coming after many years of hard work and thoughtful planning of the activities of the Canton Rotary Club in cooperation with its officers and committees, and also because of the achievements which he assisted in accomplishing in a civic way in Canton. . . . For almost twenty years Canton has had the united and unselfish labor of Mr. Markley in all its activities of a civic, welfare or patriotic character, never flinching, but always at work when the first meeting was called and quick action needed."

Mr. Markley began his first community work in 1910 and thereafter had an active and responsible part in all of the campaigns that were conducted in behalf of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Chamber of Commerce, Liberty Loans and other worthy causes. In 1921 he was one of the founders of the Canton Welfare Federation, of which he was president for five years, and which each year raised in the neighborhood of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the more than twenty different welfare and social agencies of the city. He was a director of the Chamber of Commerce for six years and treasurer for three years, and has been a director of the Young Men's Christian Association for fourteen years. He was one of the founders and served a considerable portion of the time as president of the Union Mission, with which institution he has been identified for nine years. For a number of years he has been a member of the board of education and is now serving as its president. He is a member of the Canton recreation commission, in the work of which he is greatly interested, and no measure or movement for the advancement of the city or the betterment of the public welfare has lacked for his earnest support. In his political views he is a staunch republican, while his religious connection is with the First Congregational

church, which he has served as a trustee and deacon. He is a forceful and effective speaker and has addressed many public gatherings and groups, his optimistic spirit and sound common sense rendering him popular and welcome in all circles. True and loyal in every relation of life, possessing a genuine interest in the welfare of his fellowmen and an attractive personality, his friends are numbered by the thousands throughout Ohio, and he is regarded as one of the representative men of his city and state.

F. E. CLAPPER

F. E. Clapper, cashier of the Louisville Bank, at Louisville, has had over twenty years of practical banking experience and since coming to this institution has shown himself well qualified in every respect for the responsible position which he is holding. He was born in this city May 22, 1885, and is a son of Cicero and Matilda (Baum) Clapper. The family was long established in Pennsylvania, whence Mr. Clapper's grandfather, Daniel Clapper, migrated to Stark county. Cicero Clapper was a farmer and thresher, was engaged in the creamery business, and served as first engineer at the Louisville Water Works. He died in 1897, at the age of forty-four years. To him and his wife were born nine children, of whom five are living.

F. E. Clapper received his educational training in the Louisville public schools, being a graduate of the class of 1902, and went to work as a salesman in a retail clothing store, which line he followed for six years. He then entered the Louisville Deposit Bank (now the State Bank), with which institution he remained for ten years, and in 1917 went to the George D. Harter Bank, of Canton. He first held the position of savings teller, from which he was advanced to commercial teller, then to note teller, and from that to assistant cashier in charge of the operation of the loan department, in which position he was serving when he accepted the cashiership of the Louisville Bank in 1923. He has devoted himself untiringly to the interests of this institution, which is showing a healthy and steady growth, and commands the esteem of all who are associated with him.

On August 11, 1909, Mr. Clapper was united in marriage to

Miss Nora Livelsberger, of Louisville, and they are the parents of two children, Harland and Jack Warren. Mr. Clapper gives his political support to the republican party and his religious faith is that of the Brethren church. He belongs to the Rotary Club, of which he was the first president, and is regarded as a distinct asset to his community.

BERT H. SEBRING

Bert H. Sebring, vice president of the Sebring Manufacturing Company of Alliance, holds an enviable place in the business world, being not only successful in material affairs, but also enjoying a reputation as a man of sound business judgment and keen foresight, whose opinions in practical matters are considered sound and dependable.

Mr. Sebring was born in East Liverpool, Ohio, on the 1st of November, 1880, a son of Oliver H. and Matilda (Hulme) Sebring. The father was a son of George E. and S. Elizabeth (Larkins) Sebring, natives of Vanport, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, and South Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, respectively. George E. Sebring, who followed the trade of a potter, died at Sebring, Ohio. He was a republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Oliver H. Sebring was born at East Liverpool, Ohio, July 14, 1857, and now lives at Sebring, being president of the Sebring Manufacturing Company, makers of china and enamel ware. His political support is also given to the republican party, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Matilda (Hulme) Sebring was born in East Liverpool, Ohio, July 14, 1860, a daughter of William and Emma (Danks) Hulme, both of whom were born in England, and the latter was a sister of Colonel Danks, of Civil war fame. Mr. Hulme was an expert potter, being regarded as an artist along that line; was a republican in politics and a Methodist in religious faith. He and his wife died at East Liverpool.

Bert H. Sebring attended the public schools of East Liverpool and took a commercial course at Mount Union College. He then became associated with the Oliver China Company, in which he was a stockholder. In 1926 there was a consolidation of four com-



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panies, the Oliver China Company, the French China Company, the Saxon China Company and the Strong Manufacturing Company, the new concern being incorporated as the Sebring Manufacturing Company, of which Oliver H. Sebring became president and Bert H. Sebring, vice president and a director. This has been a very successful enterprise and is regarded as one of the solid and prosperous industries of this section of the state. Bert H. Sebring is a director of the Citizens Banking Company, of Sebring, and vice president of the Sebring Cooperage Company, of which his father is president.

On June 20, 1901, in East Liverpool, Mr. Sebring was united in marriage to Miss Pauline Fisher Crook, who was born in Calcutta, Ohio, March 9, 1880, and is a daughter of Frank and Jane (Fisher) Crook. In the paternal line she is of English descent, her grandparents, Thomas and Jane (Bachelor) Crook, having been born in Staffordshire, England, and both died at Elkton, Ohio. Thomas Crook was the owner of woolen mills and was a man of prominence in his community. He was an active republican and held a number of local offices. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Their son, Frank Crook, was born at Elkton, Ohio, July 24, 1851, and is now living in East Liverpool, where he owns a furniture store and is a director of the Potter National Bank. He, too, is a republican and has been very active and prominent in the Methodist Episcopal church, having served as a delegate to the general conference of that denomination in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1924. His wife was born at Lisbon, Ohio, in 1852, and died at East Liverpool. Mrs. Sebring attended the public schools of East Liverpool; Beaver College at Beaver, Pennsylvania; and Dr. Jones School for Girls at Providence, Rhode Island. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Sebring and belongs to the Mount Union College Women's Club and the Alliance Women's Club. In 1926 she was appointed by Governor Donahey as a delegate to the annual national convention of the Anti-Saloon League held at Chicago, being one of thirty-six. Mr. and Mrs. Sebring have become the parents of two children, namely: Frances, who died in infancy; and Kathleen B., born May 1, 1906, who attended the public schools of Alliance; Miss Wolcott's School at Denver, Colorado; and the Hathaway-Brown school in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Sebring is a staunch republican in his political views, and

is a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Sebring. He belongs to the Chambers of Commerce in Cleveland and Alliance and the Alliance Country Club, while his religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church, to which he gives generous support, as he does to all other worthy benevolent causes. During the World war he took an active part in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and has always stood ready to co-operate with his fellow citizens in efforts to advance the general interests of the community along material, civic or moral lines. Because of these things, as well as for his sterling character and cordial manner, he commands the respect of all who know him.

ALBERT WILD, M. D.

A leading member of the medical profession in Stark county is Dr. Albert Wild, who is successfully engaged in the practice of his profession at 504 South Arch street, Alliance, where he also maintains a well equipped private hospital. Born at Lorach Baden, Germany, September 10, 1890, he is a son of Otto and Rosalia (Street) Wild. His father was born in Switzerland, January 21, 1861, and is now living in Stamford, Connecticut, where he is following the printing trade. He is a republican in politics and is a member of the Lutheran church. His wife was born in Baden, Germany, September 2, 1865, and died in Stamford, Connecticut, May 10, 1925.

When Albert Wild was five years old he accompanied his parents to the United States. They lived in Holyoke, Massachusetts, for five years, and then moved to North Mianus, Connecticut, where he was reared from the age of ten years. He attended public schools there until fourteen years of age, when he began learning the trade of block cutting, which he followed for five years, also doing pattern-making and electric wiring during that period. When twenty years of age he entered the high school at Greenwich, Connecticut, was graduated in 1914, and then took a pre-medical course at Wesleyan University, at Middletown, Connecticut. He next matriculated in the medical school of the University of Maryland, in Baltimore, and was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1920, after which he served six

months as interne in the General Hospital at Bridgeport, Connecticut, and one year in St. John's Riverside Hospital, at Yonkers, New York. After a year in postgraduate work at the New Rochelle Hospital in New York, he located in Alliance February 17, 1923, and has since been engaged in professional work here. For three months he served as assistant to Doctor Perry King, and then opened an office of his own at 760 South Arch street. Three months later he moved to 521 South Arch street, where he remained until October 12, 1926, when he opened a private hospital at 504 South Arch street, where he is engaged in the general practice of medicine, specializing in surgery, in which he has been very successful. Dr. Wild enlisted in the Medical Reserve of the United States Navy as hospital apprentice First Class and was honorably discharged shortly after the close of the World war. Out of one hundred and seventy-one surgical cases treated at the hospital, major and minor operations, only one death resulted, less than one half of one per cent.

On September 4, 1926, in the Christian church in Alliance, Dr. Wild was united in marriage to Miss M. Katherine King, who was born in this city, January 3, 1903, and is a daughter of Garland and Celestie (Tobin) King. The former, a lifelong resident of Alliance, is connected with the Alliance Machine Steel Castings Company, is a republican in his political views and a member of the Christian church. His wife was born in Kensington, Ohio. Mrs. Wild's paternal grandparents were W. W. and Catherine King, the former now deceased, while his widow still resides in Alliance. Celestie (Tobin) King is a daughter of Morris and Charity (McDaniel) Tobin, both of whom are deceased. Mr. Tobin served in the Union Army during the Civil war and lost an arm in the battle of Gettysburg. Mrs. Wild graduated from the Alliance high school in 1921, after which she attended Mt. Union College one year, and later graduated from the Alliance Business College. She is a member of the Christian church and belongs to the Bang Club of Alliance. Dr. and Mrs. Wild are the parents of a son, John Albert, born October 29, 1927. The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the American Legion, the Alliance Country Club, the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is closely devoted to his profession,

deeply interested in its scientific and humanitarian phases, and has been more than ordinarily successful in his efforts to combat disease. A man of sterling integrity and high ideals, he exemplifies in his life the highest standards of American manhood and citizenship and commands the sincere respect of all who know him.

OLIVER W. RENKERT

Some measure success by dollars and cents, but there are many who regard success as the position to which a man has attained in the business world by progressive and reliable methods and by high principles guiding him in his varied commercial relations. Judged by this standard, Oliver W. Renkert is one of Canton's most successful men. His entire course reflects credit and honor upon the city in which he has established one of the most extensive and important business enterprises here found—that of the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company, of which he is the president.

His life story is an interesting one of successful achievement. His birth occurred at Canal Dover, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, October 24, 1878, and he was a boy of eleven summers when the family home was established in Canton, so that he acquired much of his early education in the public schools of this city. His father, J. J. Renkert, was a pioneer in the manufacture of paving brick in this city and in his youth Oliver W. Renkert acquired a practical knowledge of the business by assisting in the work at his father's plant. He felt at that time, however, that he would prefer a professional to a commercial career and entered upon the study of dentistry at the Western Reserve University. He there pursued a three years' course and won his D. D. S. degree in 1898, after which he opened an office at Akron, Ohio, where he continued in practice for eight years. Then followed his reversion to his original line of activity, and nature must have intended that he labor in this field, for it is one in which he has achieved notable success. In 1903 he became one of the organizers and incorporators of the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company of Canton and from the beginning served on its board of directors. He continued his dental office at Akron, however, until 1906, when he withdrew permanently from that field and became president and general manager

of the Moberly Paving Brick Company, of Moberly, Missouri, where he remained for six years, carrying on a profitable business. He then resigned as president and general manager and sold his interest in the business. In January, 1913, he took up his duties as general superintendent of the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company at Canton, which he had aided in organizing ten years before. In 1916 he became vice president and general manager of the Metropolitan company and at the untimely death of his brother Harry S. Renkert in 1922, he was made president and general manager of the company in which capacity he still serves. It is an accepted fact that the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company makes and sells more paving brick than any other company in the world. When O. W. Renkert and his brother Harry were small boys the father was operating a plant at Dover, Ohio. Later they removed to Canton and the father bought an interest in the Royal Brick Company of that place. When the boys were not in school they worked around the plant and early became familiar with every detail of the business. About 1904 the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company was formed and operated the Royal, Imperial and Canton plants. A few years later the W. L. Davis plant was also taken over. The company of which O. W. Renkert is the executive head has been made the recipient of the emblem of the Rice Leaders of the World Association of New York. Membership in that association is limited to manufacturing concerns, each in a different line of business, but all having one thing in common—a successful, old-established business, built and conducted upon strict adherence to the highest standards. The association's qualifications for membership are:

“Honor—A recognized reputation for fair and honorable business dealings.

“Quality—An honest product, of quality truthfully represented.

“Strength—A responsible and substantial financial standing.

“Service—A recognized reputation for conducting business in prompt and efficient manner.”

The personality and character of O. W. Renkert, and of those associated with him permeates every phase of the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company's activities. The sound basis upon which its quality products are manufactured and sold has merited the confidence of municipalities, townships and the government, as well as of engineers, contractors, public officials and others throughout

the country. It is an inspiration to reflect that from several separate small beginnings many years ago, there has been a gradual development and growth until today we find combined in the Metropolitan Paving Brick Company, under one able management, eight plants which not only give profitable employment to hundreds of workers but which turn out paving brick, building brick, face brick, hollow building tile and sprinkling filter bottoms, that are giving satisfaction in all parts of the United States.

In 1899 Mr. Renkert was united in marriage to Miss Emma F. Moushey, a daughter of Lewis Moushey, of Canton, and they have become parents of two children, Bernice Mae and Bessie Marie. The family have a beautiful home in Canton and occupy an enviable social position.

Mr. Renkert is one of Canton's first citizens. He is a former president of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Brookside Saddle Club, the Brookside and Congress Lake Clubs and the Rotary Club. He was also former president of the National Paving Brick Manufacturers Association. Outside of his own company he is a director in a steel company, also a director of two Canton banks and president of a coal company. His high business standing is but the expression of the regard in which he is uniformly held by those who have known him in all the relations of life. He has never stressed his principles in words but they have found expression in the conduct of his interests and never has he deviated from a course which he has believed to be right between himself and his fellowmen.

WILLIAM E. WEAVER

As safety and service director of Massillon, William E. Weaver is performing able and appreciated work for his community and is adding to the prestige which he already enjoyed among the people of the city. He was born in Bolivar, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 25th of April, 1875, and is a son of William G. and Sarah J. (Baker) Weaver. The family moved to Massillon when he was five years old and here he was reared, receiving his education in the public and high schools.

When eighteen years old Mr. Weaver started to learn the ma-

chinist's trade with Russell & Company, and after completing his apprenticeship he spent five years as a journeyman machinist in other cities. On his return to Massillon he became general foreman for Russell & Company, with which concern he remained until 1925, when he became shop superintendent of the Reynolds Machine Company, holding that position when, in January, 1928, Mayor Johns appointed him to the responsible position of safety and service director of Massillon. He has shown himself to be well qualified for the position, the duties of which he is discharging in a manner that has won for him the commendation of the people of the city.

On January 24, 1898, Mr. Weaver was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Morgan, of West Lebanon, Ohio. He is a stanch republican in his political views and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he attained the degree of a Knight Templar. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Weaver is devoting his attention closely to the performance of his official duties, in which he is rendering distinctive service, and all who know him hold him in high regard for his ability and his commendable personal interest in the public welfare.

HON. ROSCOE C. McCULLOCH

An outstanding figure in public life, Roscoe C. McCulloch has thrice been elected representative from his district to congress, each time by increased majorities, and in every possible way has safeguarded and promoted the interests of state and nation. His life story is one of useful service both as lawyer and lawmaker. He was born on a farm in Holmes county, Ohio, November 27, 1880, and is a son of John G. and Matilda V. McCulloch, also natives of that county. His youthful experiences were those of the farm-bred boy and of the lad who spends his time in one of the smaller urban communities. He began his education in the public schools of Millersburg, Ohio, and later had the advantage of high school training in Canton. His more specifically literary course was pursued in the University of Wooster and in preparation for a legal career—for he had determined to make the practice of law his life work—he

attended the Ohio State University and the Western Reserve University Law Schools. On the 5th of December, 1903, he was admitted to the bar and at once entered upon active practice. His youth and inexperience did not seem any great obstacle to progress. He applied himself thoroughly to the mastery of every case entrusted to him and with the passing years came to be recognized not only as an able trial lawyer but as a safe counselor. His entire professional career has been marked by fidelity to the interests of his clients and yet he never for a moment forgets that he owes a still higher allegiance to the majesty of the law.

Another phase in the public career of Roscoe C. McCulloch has to do with the important service which he has rendered his fellowmen in public office. He was elected to congress from the sixteenth district in 1914 as the candidate of the republican party, receiving a plurality of approximately eight thousand votes, and made so creditable a record in office that he was reelected in 1916 by a plurality of seven thousand in a district which in that year was carried by Woodrow Wilson by a plurality of nearly eight thousand, showing Mr. McCulloch to have received approximately fifteen thousand votes ahead of the party ticket. Still further endorsement of his congressional career came in November, 1918, when he was elected for a third term by a plurality of twelve thousand over his democratic opponent. As a member of the house he gave most thoughtful and earnest consideration to all the vital questions and problems which came up for settlement and showed rare discrimination in analyzing every situation. He has been strongly urged to become a candidate for governor, his friends basing his fitness for the office upon the fact that his three terms in congress constituted a record of real accomplishment characterized by a strongly progressive spirit; that he was a pioneer in advocating and voting for woman suffrage; that he has advocated a constructive tax reducing plan and that he has a powerful intellect, sound judgment and a marked sense of fairness. Congress chose him as one of its members to investigate and later to head the legal department in the prosecution of war frauds in camps and cantonments.

Mr. McCulloch was united in marriage to Miss Helen Herbruck and they have become parents of two children, Kathryn and Hugh H., both at home.

Mr. McCulloch is an active member of the First Methodist

Episcopal church and is well known in social circles through his connection with the Canton, Brookside Country and Brookside Riding Clubs. He is companionable and genial and has a host of warm friends because he holds friendship inviolable. He chose as his life work a profession in which advancement must depend entirely upon individual merit and ability and steadily he has advanced until he is today one of the most capable and widely known lawyers of Ohio and, moreover, is recognized as a statesman of the highest principles and purposes to whom an opportunity to serve has ever been a call to action and a call to which he has made ready and adequate response.

CHARLES P. SIMS

To Charles P. Sims, of Massillon, belongs the distinction of being the oldest lumberman in Stark county in point of years of service, having been engaged in that line of business for forty years, and for twenty-nine years of that time with the Massillon Lumber Company, of which he is vice president and general manager.

Mr. Sims was born in Canton, Ohio, on the 29th of December, 1870, and is a son of William H. and Mary E. (Natche) Sims, both of whom are deceased. He received his education in the grade and district schools and devoted his efforts to farm work until 1888, when he entered the employ of the Canton Car Company, with which concern he remained two years. In 1890 he went to Denver, Colorado, where he was connected with the lumber and planing mill business for six and a half years, after which he was similarly employed in Lafayette, Indiana. He returned to Canton, where he was connected with the lumber business about one year, and in 1899 came to Massillon and went to work for the firm of Connor, Dengler & Brown. This business changed hands in about 1907, since which time it has been operated under the name of the Massillon Lumber Company. Mr. Sims has remained with the business continuously since 1899, during which period he has received well merited advancement and in 1924 was made vice president and general manager. Energetic, wide-awake and progressive, he has devoted his efforts closely to the interests of the

company, and in the management of which he shows splendid executive ability and good judgment, and is an important factor in its success and prosperity.

Mr. Sims is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and a number of lumbermen's fraternities, and is an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Because of his loyalty and effectiveness in business, his deep interest in the welfare and progress of his community and his substantial qualities of character, he holds a high place in the esteem of those who know him.

WILLIAM ERLANGER, SR.

No citizen of Canton is held in higher regard than is William Erlanger, Sr., president of the Erlanger Dry Goods Company and the Stark Dry Goods Company, which control two of the leading commercial houses of central Ohio. Mr. Erlanger's career exhibits in a striking manner the possibilities afforded in this country to one who directs his efforts along right lines and in accordance with the right ideals, for, as a stranger in a strange land, he began business life here humbly and every step of his progress has been attained through indomitable perseverance, strict integrity and the exercise of sound judgment in his affairs.

Mr. Erlanger was born on the 28th of January, 1853, in Fuerth, Bavaria, and is a son of William and Janette (Schlessinger) Erlanger. His father, who belonged to an old and prominent Bavarian family, of German origin, was engaged in the wholesale dry goods business, which he continued successfully until his death, which occurred October 17th, 1852, when he was forty-one years of age, and a few months prior to the birth of his son, William. The mother, who was born March 25, 1817, and died October 13, 1891, carried the business on for twenty years after her husband's death and it is still in existence, being now conducted by a grandnephew, Wolfgang Erlanger. To William and Janette Erlanger were born five children, four sons and a daughter.

Owing to her business responsibilities and other cares, the mother found it necessary to place three of her children in an orphan asylum, in which he was reared and received his early education. In 1871, at the age of eighteen years, William Erlanger



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took passage on the steamer "Hanse" for the New World, having received from his mother a sufficient sum in gold to pay his passage and meet his expenses until such a time as he could become self-supporting. Soon after his arrival in New York city he secured employment as an engraver in a jeweler's establishment, and there he remained a few months, when he moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and went to work for the firm of Schoneman & Son, wholesale clothiers, with whom he received his first training in mercantile affairs. Later he went to Altoona, Pennsylvania, where for about a year he was employed in the retail clothing store of Leo Wolf. In 1873 Mr. Erlanger went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and obtained employment as a traveling salesman for Thalheimer & Company, wholesale dealers in men's furnishings, but one year later resigned that position and established a clothing store in Butler, Pennsylvania, which he conducted for two years, building up a successful business so that, in 1879, he had no trouble in disposing of it advantageously. Coming to Canton, Ohio, he established a retail men's clothing and furnishings business, which he conducted for about two years and then went to East Liverpool, Ohio, where he engaged in the same line of business successfully for thirty-two years. In 1912 he discontinued his store at East Liverpool and came to Canton to join his son, Sidney Erlanger, and his nephew, William B. Erlanger, in what is now known as the Stark Dry Goods Company, opening a retail establishment. They also organized the Erlanger Dry Goods Company, conducting a strictly wholesale business, and Mr. Erlanger has served as president of both companies to the present time. The Stark Dry Goods Company, in addition to its large and splendidly equipped department store in Canton, also conducts the leading retail establishments in its line in Alliance and Massillon, Ohio, and their various stores employ a total of over three hundred and fifty people. The business has enjoyed a steady growth through the years until now, instead of the few thousand square feet of floor space, occupied but a few years ago, the Canton store has sixty-three thousand square feet, the Alliance store thirty-six thousand square feet and the Massillon store twenty-four thousand square feet. This great business has been built on the foundation of reliable merchandise, square dealing and courtesy and the company commands the patronage of the best people and the most discriminating buyers of the community.

On March 12, 1882, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Mr. Erlanger was united in marriage to Miss Sophie Meyers, who was born in Lisberg, Bavaria, May 14, 1857, and was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Meyers, who brought their family to the United States in 1876 and located in Philadelphia, where they spent their remaining days, the father dying July 24, 1891, and the mother October 17, 1885. Mrs. Erlanger died in Philadelphia, December 5, 1912, at the age of fifty-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Erlanger had two children: Milton, born February 26, 1886, married Miss Pauline Gans, of Baltimore, Maryland, a daughter of Charles and Dora (Rosenberg) Gans, and they have two children, Elizabeth and William (II); Sidney, born July 30, 1887, married Miss Florence H. Herold, a native of Trenton, New Jersey, and a daughter of Jacob and Ella (Rosenstein) Herold, and they have a daughter, Janette, who was born in Canton October 4, 1914.

In his political views Mr. Erlanger is a staunch republican, and his religious affiliation is with the McKinley Avenue Hebrew Temple. He is a member of Riddle Lodge, No. 315, F. & A. M., at East Liverpool, Ohio; the Grotto at Canton; East Liverpool Lodge, I. O. O. F.; East Liverpool Lodge, B. P. O. E.; and the Westmoor Country Club of Canton. Mr. Erlanger was made a citizen of the United States at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1879, and has ever been loyal to its institutions, giving his earnest support to the advancement of the public welfare. Because of his splendid business record and outstanding success, as well as for his kindly and friendly manner, he commands to a marked degree the confidence and esteem of the people of his city and county and is regarded as one of the representative men of his community.

HARRY W. GAUCHAT, M. D.

Dr. Harry W. Gauchat has attained well merited distinction in medical circles, not only as an able and successful practitioner, but also because of his valuable research work along medical and scientific lines, and stands today as one of the leaders of his profession in Canton and Stark county. Dr. Gauchat was born in Canton, on the 3d of May, 1892, and is a son of William F. and Sarah (Crankshaw) Gauchat. His father was born at Wines-

burg, Holmes county, Ohio, and is a son of Louis and Elizabeth (Pitz) Gauchat, the former having come to this country from Neufchatel, Switzerland, though the family is of French origin. Louis Gauchat was a blacksmith by trade and was a resident of Canton at the time of his death, at the age of sixty-nine years. His wife was born in Bavaria, Germany, whence she was brought to the United States in young girlhood. William F. Gauchat was reared and educated in Canton, to which city the family moved in 1877, when he was about eleven years of age. He is an active supporter of the democratic party and has been prominent in public affairs, having served as deputy United States marshal at Cleveland, and also as chief of police in Canton from 1920 to 1923. He is a member of Trinity Reformed church. His wife was born in Akron, Ohio, and is a daughter of David and Delila (Engle) Crankshaw. Her father was a member of one of the old pioneer families of Cuyahoga county, Ohio, and a direct descendant of John Shepard, a soldier of the Revolutionary war, who lived to the remarkable age of one hundred and nineteen years, and whose ancestors came to America in the "Mayflower." To William and Sarah Gauchat were born two children, Harry W. and Paul C., the latter a physician of Warren, Ohio.

Harry W. Gauchat attended the public schools of Canton until graduated from the Central high school in 1910 and then went to Mount Union College, at Alliance, Ohio, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1914. He matriculated in the medical college of Western Reserve University and won his M. D. degree in 1918. He served as interne in Lakeside Hospital of Cleveland, and afterward as instructor in the department of medicine in Lakeside and City Hospitals for a period of six years. In 1925 he came to Canton and engaged in the active practice of his profession, specializing in internal medicine. He has been very successful and has built up a large and remunerative practice, enjoying a high reputation as a safe and reliable physician. He is a constant student of his profession and has been honored with the degree of Master of Arts by Western Reserve University in recognition of his research work in physiology.

On June 16, 1920, in Canton, Dr. Gauchat was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Ann Rate, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of James G. and Sophia (Schellhase) Rate.

Dr. and Mrs. Gauchat have two daughters, Joan Marie, born May 28, 1923, and Martha Jean, July 7, 1924, both born in Cleveland. Dr. Gauchat is a member of the Stark County Medical Society, the Cleveland Academy of Medicine, the Medical Arts Club of Cleveland, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the American Roentgenological Society. He has done much writing along medical lines and is the author of "Clinical and Experimental Studies, Pulses and Paradoxes," which was published as a series of papers in the leading medical journals. The Doctor is independent in his political attitude, though deeply interested in the public welfare, voting for the men whom he regards as best fitted for office. He is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity of Mount Union College and the Mu Sigma Nu medical fraternity, and the University Club and the Exchange Club, of Canton. His religious membership is with the Trinity Reformed church, and he stands consistently for all that is best in community life. A man of splendid personality and agreeable manner, he has many loyal friends throughout Stark county and is regarded as an honor to his profession.

HARRY STEWART WYKOFF

Harry S. Wykoff, who, through his ability and sagacity, has attained an enviable place in the legal profession in Alliance, is also active and prominent in civic affairs and is regarded as one of his community's most progressive citizens. Mr. Wykoff was born at Richmond, Jefferson county, Ohio, on the 4th day of July, 1890, is a son of Rev. Emory E. and Elizabeth (Stewart) Wykoff and a grandson of John and Martha (Fry) Wykoff, the former of whom was of Holland ancestry, and both of whom are deceased. Mr. Wykoff was a carpenter and builder by vocation, was a member of the Presbyterian church and voted the republican ticket. Emory E. Wykoff was born at Richmond, Ohio, on November 28, 1862, received a thorough education and has been in the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years and is now pastor of the church at Perry, Ohio. He is a republican in his political views. Elizabeth (Stewart) Wykoff, who was of English descent, was born January 19, 1860, near Wellsville, Ohio, and

died November 14, 1923, at the home of her son in Alliance. She was a daughter of James and Sarah (McClurg) Stewart, of whom the former was born in Jefferson county, Ohio, followed the business of carpenter and builder, and died at New Somerset, Ohio, in 1894. He was a republican in politics and was a steward of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was a native of Jefferson county, and died there.

Harry Stewart Wykoff graduated from the high school at Windham, Ohio, in 1909, and entered Mount Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1914. He took a postgraduate course in biology at Ohio State University and taught for five years in the biology department at Mount Union College. During the three following years he read law in the office of Hart & Koehler and on July 19, 1923, was admitted to the bar. He practiced alone in Alliance until February, 1927, when he formed a law partnership with N. C. Fetters, a patent attorney, and they are still associated in practice, specializing in corporation, real estate and patent law. Mr. Wykoff possesses a keen and analytical mind, is determined and resourceful in the handling of causes placed in his charge and is regarded as a safe and sound advisor.

On June 15, 1916, in Alliance, Mr. Wykoff was united in marriage to Miss Pearl Miller, of this city, who was born August 16, 1891, and is a daughter of Lorin and Frances Emma (Matthews) Miller. Lorin Miller was born in Alliance, studied photography under Perie McDonald, of New York city, and conducted a successful studio in Alliance to the time of his death. He was a deacon in the Presbyterian church and was an active supporter of the democratic party, serving for a number of years as a member of the school board, while at the time of his death he was a member of the park commission. His wife was born at Hubbard, Ohio, and died in Alliance. She was a daughter of Milton and Nancy Jane (Klingan) Matthews, the latter born near Hubbard, Ohio, and died at Warren, this state. Mr. Matthews also was born near Hubbard, served in the Union Army throughout the Civil war, and later became a manufacturer of evaporators, which business he followed to the time of his death, which occurred February 11, 1925. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and supported the republican party. Mrs. Wykoff graduated from the Alliance high school and entered Mount Union College, from which

she was graduated, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1916. She served as city librarian for six years, including the period of her attendance at college, having studied library work at the Library School at Chautauqua, New York. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and its missionary society, and belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star and the Pythian Sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Wykoff are the parents of two daughters, Helen Virginia, born March 31, 1917, and Frances Eleanor, born January 19, 1920.

Mr. Wykoff is a stanch republican and takes a helpful interest in public affairs. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Lodge, No. 23, K. P., of which he is a past chancellor commander and a member of the board of trustees of the Pythian building; Alliance Lodge, No. 266, I. O. O. F.; the Alpha Tau Omega college fraternity, the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. During the World war he was active in Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, making many speeches. His religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is a member of the choir and has been missionary superintendent for three years. He has been attorney for the Alliance Building and Saving Company for the past four years and is a director of the Consolidated Investment Company. Because of his sterling traits of character and his agreeable manner, he commands uniform confidence and regard and has a large circle of warm friends throughout the city in which he lives.

GEORGE M. LETHERMAN

George M. Letherman, president and general manager of The Letherman Seed and Supply Company, of Canton, has long stood in the first rank of the able and successful business men of Stark county, having built up an establishment the interests of which are world wide. His achievements are particularly noteworthy from the fact that he began life a poor boy, and the prosperity which is now his has been won only by hard and persistent industry, backed by sound judgment and sterling principles.

Mr. Letherman was born in Elkhart county, Indiana, Septem-

ber 23, 1877, a son of B. F. and Hettie Letherman. The Letherman family is of German origin and was established in this country by Jacob Letherman, who settled in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in 1741, and purchased land from William Penn's son-in-law, William Allen. Mr. Letherman's grandfather, Isaac Letherman, came to Ohio in pioneer days and settled near Wooster, where he engaged in farming. B. F. Letherman, who was born and reared in Wayne county, Ohio, also followed agricultural pursuits, but is now retired and living in Goshen, Indiana. He is a republican in his political views, while his religious belief is that of the Mennonite church. The mother, who was born in Bryan, Ohio, is also of German ancestry. In the family were six children, three sons and three daughters, of whom George M. is the second in order of birth.

George M. Letherman spent his early years on his father's farm and attended the public schools in Indiana. He then entered Northern Ohio University. On leaving home, at the age of twenty-three years, he became branch manager for the Milwaukee Harvester Company at Fargo, North Dakota, where he remained for several years, and in 1904 came to Canton, of which city he has been a resident continuously since. Soon after coming here he bought what was known as the Patton warehouse and also an adjoining property from the Abner McKinley estate, and engaged in the feed and grain business, in which success attended his efforts. Subsequently the property was sold to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and he established business at his present location at 814 Tuscarawas street east. The business rapidly increased and in the course of time a seed business was also started at 330 Cleveland avenue northwest. In 1917 Mr. Letherman became an automobile dealer and for about ten years was local distributor for the Nash and Chandler cars, in which he was successful, but his other business interests made so heavy a demand on his time that in 1927 he discontinued the automobile line, and the location was devoted to a wholesale and mail order seed business. Mr. Letherman also conducts a nursery near North Canton, where he resides. This has been developed into one of the largest nurseries in this section of the state. The seed business has grown to enormous proportions and now extends not only to all parts of the United States, but also includes Canada and the principal countries of Europe, in relation to both exports and imports. Mr. Letherman has always

given his close personal attention to the business, in the management of which he has shown himself sagacious and farsighted, and his judgment in practical matters is regarded as sound and reliable.

On January 9, 1903, in Valparaiso, Indiana, Mr. Letherman was united in marriage to Miss Minnie L. Ebersole, who was born in Canton, Ohio, and is a daughter of the late George L. and Elizabeth Ebersole, both of whom were members of well known pioneer families of Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Letherman adopted two children, when infants, Edward F. and Frederick, twins, born July 7, 1917. Mrs. Letherman is a member of the Knight Templar Ladies Club and is a popular member of her social circles. Mr. Letherman has been a lifelong supporter of the republican party, and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has received the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites. He and his wife are members of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton.

Mr. Letherman is an ardent lover of outdoor life and spends a part of each summer at his camp in Quebec, Canada, where he has an opportunity to indulge in his favorite sport, hunting for big game such as moose and deer, and has brought home many trophies of his skill as a marksman. His life has measured up to the highest standard of citizenship, and he stands as a man among men, honored and respected for his sterling worth, as well as for his business ability and success.

CHARLES S. BOLENDER

One of the most prominent and successful contractors and builders in Stark county is Charles S. Bolender, of Canton, who has erected hundreds of residences in this locality and enjoys an enviable reputation as an able, progressive and dependable business man. He was born in this city, May 4, 1885, a son of Manies and Lydia Ann (Miller) Bolender. The family came to this country at a very early day, having been founded in Pennsylvania by three brothers, one of whom, Mr. Bolender's great-grandfather, was a soldier in the War of 1812 and was later given a tract of land in

Center county, that state, for his services to his country. These brothers migrated to Ohio in the early days, one settling at Dayton, one at Uniontown and the other at Canton, and from the last is descended the present Bolender family here. He conducted an inn at Bolivar, Tuscarawas county, it being one of the first hostleries in this part of the state. His son, the grandfather of Charles S. Bolender, was a carpenter and builder and the latter's son, Manies, also followed that occupation. When C. Aultman & Company first established their business in Canton he went to work for them and remained identified with that concern continuously for fifty years, embracing the entire period of the company's development from a small beginning to one of the most important firms of its kind in this section of the state. Manies Bolender was one of six children, five boys and one girl, all of whom are deceased. His brother Oliver, served in the Union Army during the Civil war and made the supreme sacrifice at the battle of Stone River. Another brother, John Bolender, who was an expert animal trainer, went to Germany with an American circus and was there killed by an elephant, a wild and unruly beast, which had killed several trainers.

Manies Bolender, who was born in Canton, April 1, 1842, died August 1, 1913, at the age of seventy-one years, passing away on the property where he was born and where he spent his entire life. His wife was a member of one of Canton's old pioneer and highly respected families, being a daughter of Jacob and Mary Ellen Miller. To Mr. and Mrs. Bolender were born six children, namely: Homer M., who resides in Canton; Charles S., of this review; Clara, deceased; Donald W., who lives in Dayton, Ohio; Cornelius J. and Robert G., both of whom live in Canton.

Charles S. Bolender attended the public schools of Canton, and after leaving school he became interested in the real estate business, to which he gave his attention until 1917, when he entered upon his present line of effort as a builder and contractor, in which he has met with well merited success. He has specialized in the building of homes, of which he has erected several hundred in various parts of the city, and has thus in a direct way contributed to the development and upbuilding of the community. He has always endeavored to build homes that satisfy and has won reputation for square dealing and sound business methods, so that he commands the confidence and respect of all who have been in con-

tact with him. He also conducts a general insurance agency in connection with his real estate interests.

On November 27, 1908, in Canton, Mr. Bolender was united in marriage to Miss Hazel E. Humphries, who was born and reared in Ashtabula county, this state, and is a daughter of Edwin T. and May (Langdon) Humphries, whose family was early established in that county. Mr. and Mrs. Bolender are the parents of three children, namely: Geraldine May, born July 8, 1910; Todd Humphries, born February 27, 1914; and Barbara Elizabeth, born July 22, 1924.

Mr. Bolender is independent in political action, voting always for the men whom he regards as best qualified for the offices they seek. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; the Congress Lake Club, the Insurance Club of Canton, and the Canton Club. The family are members of the Church of Christ, Scientist.

DANIEL FREDERICK LEMBRIGHT

Daniel Frederick Lembright, the principal owner and general manager of the Lembright Ideal Bakery of Alliance, is a man of thorough practical experience in this line of business and because of the high quality of his products and his able management he is realizing splendid success. Mr. Lembright was born in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 1st of January, 1883, a son of Fred and Caroline (Buhl) Lembright. He is descended from sterling old German stock, his paternal grandparents, Daniel and Elizabeth (Thomas) Lembright, having been born in Germany. On coming to this country the grandfather bought a farm in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, to the operation of which he devoted his energies during the remaining active years of his life, and there he and his wife died. He supported the republican party, and he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. Their son Fred, who was born on the homestead in Tuscarawas county, devoted his life to farming and was a man of industrious habits and a good manager. He died in Coshocton, Ohio, July 4, 1909. He was a member of the Lutheran church and was a republican in his political views. His wife, who was born in Ohio and died on the Lem-



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bright homestead, was a daughter of Jacob Buhl, a native of Germany.

Daniel F. Lembright secured his education in the public schools of Tuscarawas and Coshocton counties, after which he went to work in the Lang bakery, in Coshocton, where he was employed for four years, when he went to Sebring, there working in the bakery of D. A. Morrison for one year. In 1907 he came to Alliance and bought an interest in the Palace Bakery Company, of which he was manager for six years. He then turned his attention to the automobile business, becoming a member of the firm of Stamp & Lembright, dealers in Studebaker and Oakland cars. He remained in that business until 1915, when he sold out and established the Lembright Ideal Bakery at the corner of Market and Mechanic streets. He is the manager and owns the controlling interest in the business, his partners being his two brothers, R. L. and A. C. Lembright, and R. C. Norman. They manufacture the entire line of goods which they handle, and there are no purer foods put on the market than the products of their bakery. This fact has become well established in the public mind and their business has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth from year to year. Mr. Lembright is a director of the Workmen's Bank of Alliance.

On January 1, 1907, in Salem, Ohio, Mr. Lembright was united in marriage to Miss Ada Chisholm, who was born in that city in April, 1883, a daughter of Joseph and Phene (Hisey) Chisholm. Her father, who was a native and lifelong resident of Salem, was for a number of years the proprietor of a men's furnishing store, but later turned his attention to the bakery business. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and supported the democratic party. He is survived by his widow, who still resides in Salem. Mrs. Lembright, who was graduated from the Salem high school, is a member of the Presbyterian church and belongs to the Alliance Women's Club and the Mount Union College Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Lembright are the parents of two sons and a daughter, namely: Joseph Frederick was graduated from the Alliance high school and is now a student in Mount Union College. Robert Scott is in high school. De Erla May died at the age of eighteen months.

Mr. Lembright has always supported the republican party and has shown a commendable interest in public affairs, particularly during the World war, when he took an active part in the various

drives and was connected with the food administration. He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery No. 67, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland; Lone Rock Lodge No. 23, K. P.; and Alliance Lodge No. 467, B. P. O. E., of Alliance. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Alliance Country Club, and his religious connection is with the Lutheran church, to which he gives generous support. A man of strong character and earnest purpose, he has been true and loyal in every relation of life and has well earned the high place which he holds in public confidence and esteem.

BRADY L. HAWK

Few residents of Canton are more widely known than Brady L. Hawk, who is prominent in business circles as treasurer and general manager of Brady L. Hawk & Son, Inc., and was formerly manager of the C. L. Taylor Company, while his activity in fraternal affairs has gained for him a wide acquaintance. Mr. Hawk was born on his father's farm in Carroll county, Ohio, November 12, 1880, a son of Addison C. and Elizabeth (Lotz) Hawk. His father, also a native of Carroll county, is a scion of an old and well known family of that locality, whose ancestral lines are traced back to Scotch-Irish and German origin. During his active life he was engaged in farming and stock-raising, but for the past twenty years has resided in Canton. He is independent in his political attitude, is a member of the Knights of Pythias in Canton, and belongs to Trinity Reformed church. Elizabeth (Lotz) was born Christmas day, 1850, died on Good Friday, in 1917, at the age of sixty-seven years, and was buried on Easter Sunday. She was a daughter of Frederick Lotz, whose family were among the pioneer settlers of Carroll county. Her great-grandfather, Frederick Lotz, erected the first sawmill in the state of Ohio, and later devoted his attention to farming, which occupation was also followed by his descendants. To Addison and Elizabeth Hawk were born two children, the daughter, Eva, being the wife of James Rowlette, of Akron, Ohio.

The son, Brady L. Hawk, was educated in the public schools

of Carroll county and remained on the home farm until twenty years of age, when he went to work for the Wrought Iron Bridge Company and was engaged in bridge construction work for several years. He then entered the employ of Armour & Company, first as a shipping clerk and later as a traveling salesman, remaining with that corporation for ten years. Going then to Chicago, he became a traveling salesman for Swift & Company, for which concern he worked eight years. In June, 1919, in partnership with John H. and J. S. Willis, he bought the business of the C. L. Taylor Company, general merchandise brokers, and on January 1, 1920, the company was incorporated and its scope of operations enlarged. J. S. Willis is president of the company and Mr. Hawk is treasurer and general manager. The business is carried on under the old name and, under Mr. Hawk's able and careful management, has proven very successful, being one of the leading concerns in its line in this section of the state.

On September 21, 1904, Mr. Hawk was united in marriage to Miss Alice Hart, who was born at Atwater, Ohio, and is a daughter of George N. and Ella (Fox) Hart. Mrs. Hawk is a member of the Women's Club, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem and the Knight Templar Ladies' Club. Mr. and Mrs. Hawk are the parents of a son, Richard Hart, born April 10, 1908, who was senior councilor of Canton Chapter, Order of DeMolay, then advanced to Master councilor and is a member of the students' council of the McKinley high school. He is also a proficient player on the baritone and trumpet horns.

Mr. Hawk is an independent republican in his political views and has always shown a keen interest in public affairs, particularly such as affect the welfare of his city and county. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council, No. 35, R. & S. M.; Canton Commandery, No. 38, K. T., of which he is past eminent commander; the Canton Lodge of Perfection, of which he is thrice potent master; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland, in which he worked for three years as engineer and seneschal; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Cleveland, of which he was first ceremonial master for three years. For two years he served as president of the Canton Shrine Club and for five years was drum major of the Grotto Band, and he also belongs to the Lakeside Shrine Club and is the Dad and advisor of the Canton Chapter of the Order of DeMolay.

An organization of which Mr. Hawk is justifiably proud is the Canton Shriners' Trumdrum Band, of which he was the organizer and which is now one of the most noted organizations of its kind in the middle West. This was originally an auxiliary Masonic musical body, with a membership of about twenty-five men, playing only trumpets and drums, but it has proven tremendously popular and now has a membership of ninety and has been designated as the official drum corps of Al Koran Temple. The Trumdrum maintains a permanent organization, with Mr. Hawk as drum major; H. A. Fogel, director; I. G. Harman, treasurer, and W. H. Buchman, secretary. This band has filled many notable engagements, including, in 1923, the Shrine ceremonial and circus at Cleveland, the state conclave of Knights Templar at Columbus; and in 1924, at the laying of the Masonic Temple cornerstone at Barberton. It played to fifty thousand people on the Million-dollar pier at Atlantic City; also when the cornerstone of the Young Men's Christian Association building was laid at Massillon; at the state conclave of Knights Templar at Steubenville; and when the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple was laid in Canton; and has since been in frequent demand at extraordinary Masonic meetings, besides playing at all the ceremonials of Al Koran Temple in Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. Hawk are members of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of which Mr. Hawk was assistant reader for two years. A successful business man, public-spirited citizen and loyal neighbor, he commands the sincere confidence and respect of his fellowmen and has a large circle of warm friends.

CHARLES CHESTER EYNON

Charles C. Eynon, junior member of the Ellett-Eynon Company, well known real estate and insurance firm of Alliance, is a wide-awake and enterprising business man and in the affairs of his community has proven progressive and public-spirited. He was born in Canton, Ohio, July 24, 1896, and is a son of Alfred C. and Nellie V. (Haun) Eynon. His paternal grandparents were Charles and Fannie (Childs) Eynon, both of whom were natives of Wales, where they were reared and married. Soon afterward they came to America, locating at St. Catherine's, Ontario, Canada, where

Mr. Eynon was employed as a machinist and wheelwright until about 1862, when he moved to Thorold, Ontario, where he and his wife spent their remaining days, he dying at the age of seventy-five years and she in 1923, at the age of ninety years. They were members of the Protestant Episcopal church and in politics Mr. Eynon was a conservative. Alfred C. Eynon was born at St. Catharine's, Ontario, Canada, September 4, 1859, and is now living in Canton, Ohio, where he is president of the A. C. Eynon Plumbing Company. He came to the United States in 1881, settled in Alliance and in 1886 removed to Canton, where in 1888 he established his present business. He is a republican in his political views, served as chairman of the Stark county republican committee for twenty years and was on President McKinley's campaign staff in 1896. He is a member and trustee of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton. In young manhood he was for three years a member of the Welland Battery, at Ontario, and during the World war was engaged in recruiting British and Canadian soldiers, the recruiting station being in his office. His wife was born in North Benton, Ohio, February 23, 1868, and is a daughter of George and Lucy (Reed) Haun. Her father was born at Berlin Center, Ohio, in 1841 and died in Canton, Ohio, in 1910, at the age of sixty-nine years. In 1861, at Alliance, he enlisted in the Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served throughout the Civil war, being with Sherman on his historic march to the sea, and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant. For a number of years he was employed as a conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife was born near Berlin Center, Ohio, and is now living with a son in Rochester, Pennsylvania.

Charles C. Eynon graduated from the Canton high school in 1915 and entered Mt. Union College, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, the class of 1921. He then formed a partnership with Walter M. Ellett, under the name of The Ellett-Eynon Company, and engaged in the real estate and insurance business in Alliance. This has been a strong and successful firm, having handled a large number of important deals in city and country property, and they represent several of the largest and strongest insurance companies in the world. Mr. Eynon has been successful in his material affairs and is secretary of the College Hill Land Company, secretary of the Arch and Main

Arcade Company, a director of the Workmen's Bank of Alliance and for the past seven years has been secretary of the Alliance Real Estate Board, and also secretary of the Alliance Insurance Association.

On September 10, 1921, in Alliance, Mr. Eynon was united in marriage to Miss Kathleen Harriet Ellett, who was born in this city, January 5, 1899, and is a daughter of Walter M. and Harriet J. (Lemmon) Ellett. Mr. Ellett was born in Alliance, August 12, 1870, graduated from Mt. Union College with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy in 1893 and later studied law at the University of Michigan. He is now the senior member of The Ellett-Eynon Company, is president of the College Hill Land Company, is a director of the People's Bank Company, and is president of the board of trustees of Mt. Union College. He is a republican in politics and belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a steward. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; and Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T. On January 25, 1896, he married Miss Harriet J. Lemmon, who was born in Barnesville, Ohio, August 24, 1871, and is a daughter of Rev. John and Harriet (Miller) Lemmon. Rev. Lemmon, who was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, was born in Pennsylvania and died in Barnesville, Ohio. Rev. Mr. Lemmon graduated from Mt. Union College in 1858, and served as a chaplain in the Union Army throughout the Civil war. Mrs. Lemmon was born near Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and died in that city. Mrs. Eynon graduated from the Alliance high school in 1917 and from Mt. Union College in 1921, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. She is a member of the Delta Delta Delta and Psi Kappa Omega sororities, the Alliance Women's Club and the Mt. Union College Women's Club, is chairman of the Day Nursery committee of Alliance and is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. and Mrs. Eynon are the parents of a daughter, Eleanor Jane, born October 6, 1924. The republican party claims Mr. Eynon's allegiance and he is a thirty-second degree Mason, holding membership in Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Canton Lodge of Perfection and Lake Erie Consistory, of Cleveland, A. A. S. R. He belongs to Lone Rock Lodge, No. 23, K. P.; the Alliance Chamber of Commerce, the Alliance Country Club, the Sigma Nu college fraternity,

the Alliance Automobile Club and the Alliance Reserve Officers' Association. His religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church. During the World war he enlisted in the officers' training corps at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and in October, 1918, was sent to Mt. Union College as cadet captain and instructor of the students army training camp, remaining there until the following December, when he was honorably discharged. He has shown a commendable interest in everything affecting the welfare and progress of his city and county and stands consistently for those things which tend to better the standards of living. An able and successful business man, loyal and patriotic citizen and agreeable and affable in his social relations, he commands to a marked degree the respect and good will of all with whom he has come in contact

SAMUEL MOLLET

Samuel Mollet, president and treasurer of the Massillon-Cleveland-Akron Sign Company, of Massillon, has had over thirty years of active experience in this line of business and is achieving a distinctive success. He was born at Grantfork, Illinois, on the 14th of January, 1876, and is a son of Nicholas and Caroline (May) Mollet, the former of whom was a native of Switzerland and the latter of Bavaria. The father was a blacksmith by trade and was successfully engaged in the manufacturing of wagons and plows. Both parents are now deceased.

Samuel Mollet received a public school education and his first job was with the Hellman & Godlove Commission Company at St. Louis, where he was first employed as a stenographer and bookkeeper. Later he was for three years with the J. & P. Coates Thread Company of St. Louis and for two years with the H. Walker Furniture Company of that city. He then acquired an interest in J. Igelstroem Company, engaged in the sign business in St. Louis but now doing business in Massillon. He was with that concern for seven years, and then, in 1904, came to Massillon and became identified with the Massillon Sign & Poster Company, which was organized in that year. Later it became the Massillon Sign Company and in 1916, on the consolidation of this company with the Cleveland-Akron Sign Company, the sign department of

the Cleveland-Akron Bag Company, the name was changed to its present form—the Massillon-Cleveland-Akron Sign Company. At first Mr. Mollet was sales manager, but in 1906 became secretary and sales manager, which position he held until September, 1926, when, on the death of his brother, Nicholas, he took his place as president of the concern, and is also treasurer. Fred Snyder was the first president of the company and was succeeded by Nicholas Mollet. The company has enjoyed a prosperous career and now gives employment to one hundred and twenty persons.

On April 26, 1900, Mr. Mollet was united in marriage to Miss Clara Leonora Bauer, of St. Louis, and they have one son, Samuel J., who is connected with his father's business.

Mr. Mollet is a member of Clinton Lodge, No. 47, A. F. & A. M.; the Knight Templar Commandery, No. 4, of Massillon; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., of Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Cleveland; the Royal Arcanum; and Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He gives his political support to the republican party, and he and his wife are earnest members of the Christian church. Mr. Mollet has taken an active and leading part in the affairs of his community, being a leader in various philanthropic and charitable enterprises, while in industrial and civic circles of Massillon he is regarded as a man of fine public spirit and dependable judgment. He is a director of the Ohio Merchants Trust Company and of the People's Building & Loan Company. A man of sterling character and consistent life, he commands the confidence of all who know him, and throughout the community in which he lives he has many warm and loyal friends.

COLONEL D. GRAY, D. D. S.

Dr. Colonel D. Gray, who has been engaged in the practice of dentistry in Canton for nearly ten years, has demonstrated unmistakably his natural and acquired qualifications for that exacting profession, being a skillful and painstaking operator and kindly and courteous in all of his relations. The Doctor was born in Zanesville, Ohio, on the 16th of August, 1885, and is a son of James Madison and Madolia (Hicks) Gray. His father, who was of Scotch-Irish descent, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania,

where he was reared and educated. Subsequently he migrated to Muskingum county, Ohio, where he established his permanent home, engaged in farming and stock-raising, and there spent his remaining years. He was a veteran of the Civil war, gave his political support to the republican party and was a member of the Methodist Protestant church. He served for a number of years as a justice of the peace in Zanesville and commanded the confidence and respect of all who knew him. His wife died in Zanesville in January, 1908. They became the parents of ten children, seven sons and three daughters. Colonel D. Gray, who is the youngest, attended the public and high schools of Zanesville, after which he accepted employment as a station agent and telegraph operator on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, being located at various points in Iowa, and followed that line of work about four years. With the money thus earned, he entered the dental school of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1914. Locating at Mount Vernon, Ohio, he was engaged in the practice of his profession for five years, being associated with his brother, Dr. Charles M. Gray. In 1919 he came to Canton and established an office in the Mellett building, where he has practiced his profession to the present time. He has a nicely arranged suite of rooms, owns an up-to-date equipment, and all who have employed his services commend the quality of his work.

On June 19, 1919, at Mount Vernon, Ohio, Dr. Gray was united in marriage to Miss Amy E. Ewing, who is a native of that place and is a daughter of John D. and Nannie (Bell) Ewing, the former now deceased. Dr. and Mrs. Gray are the parents of two sons, John Ewing, born November 9, 1921, and Colonel Don, born September 10, 1923. The Doctor is a member of the Stark County Dental Society, of which he is now president, the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. He gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 9, F. & A. M., at Mount Vernon, Ohio; has received the degrees of the York Rite, and belongs to Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland, while, socially, he is a member of the Lakeside Country Club. He and his wife belong to the First Christian church, in the work of which they take an active interest, and throughout the range of their acquaintance they enjoy marked popularity. The Doctor, though a busy man

professionally, shows keen interest in public affairs and stands ready at all times to cooperate in the advancement of measures for the betterment of the city and county in which he lives. Because of his ability as a dentist and his excellent personal qualities, he has won and retains the sincere respect of all with whom he has come in contact.

WILLIAM H. WEAVER, M. D.

Prominent among the leading physicians of Canton, where he enjoys a large and lucrative practice, stands Dr. William H. Weaver, who has gained a high reputation as a capable and successful representative of the medical profession. He was born in Rose township, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 15th of July, 1874, and is a son of David and Sarah A. (Kenright) Weaver. His father was born in Germany and when five years old was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in Tuscarawas county, Ohio. In that locality he was reared and educated and on reaching years of maturity engaged in farming and stock raising. In later years he became a resident of Sandy township, Stark county, where his death occurred December 25, 1903, at the age of sixty-seven years. In politics he was a stanch republican, but neither sought nor held public office. His religious faith was that of the English Lutheran church. Sarah A. (Kenright) Weaver was born in Sandy township, Stark county, and on the maternal side was of German descent, while her father was a native of Baltimore, Maryland. Mrs. Weaver is still a resident of Stark county. To Mr. and Mrs. Weaver were born eight children, six sons and two daughters, of whom five are living.

William H. Weaver attended the public schools of Rose township, Carroll county, and later Scio College. Having determined to devote his life to the practice of medicine, he matriculated in the medical school of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1902. He engaged in the practice of his profession at Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas county, where he remained one year, and then moved to Canton, where he has remained to the present time. While he conducts a general practice,



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he specializes in obstetrics and children's diseases, in which he has been particularly successful.

On April 10, 1902, in Sandyville, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, Dr. Weaver was united in marriage to Miss Louemma M. Laffer, who was born and reared at Sandyville and is a daughter of Barton and Emily (Carnes) Laffer. Mrs. Weaver is active in the work of her church and its societies and is deeply interested in everything that affects the welfare of the community. Dr. and Mrs. Weaver have had three children, namely: William Barton, deceased; Wilbur L., born June 13, 1907; and Bernice L., born August 10, 1918.

The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and his religious membership is with Trinity Lutheran church. He is a member of McKinley Lodge, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Cleveland Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Cleveland; and the Grotto and the Lakeside Shrine Club. He belongs to the Canton Medical Society, the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, and is attending physician and pediatrician at the Mercy hospital and the Schuffell Little Flower hospital. During the World war he served as a member of the board of medical examiners. Closely devoted to his profession and with a deep and sincere sympathy for the sick and afflicted, he is regarded as one of the leading physicians of his community and commands to a marked degree the respect and confidence of the people among whom he ministers.

ANDREW ERTLE

Andrew Ertle, proprietor of the Ertle Bottling Works, at Massillon, has been connected with the soft drink business continuously for thirty-seven years and, through his good management and energetic methods, has realized a very satisfactory measure of success. Mr. Ertle was born at West Brookfield, now a part of Massillon, on the 6th of April, 1868, and is a son of Martin and Barbara (Hemberger) Ertle. He acquired a public school education and in 1891 became connected with the present business as an employee of E. Gleitsman, who had established the plant in 1880. In 1898 Mr. Ertle, with Mr. Gleitsman's son, Elmer, bought

the business and continued it together as partners until 1910, when Mr. Ertle became the sole owner, and has since operated the plant under the name of the Ertle Bottling Works. His principal products are Nu-Grape, orange crush, ginger ale and root beer, in fact a complete line of carbonated beverages, all of which are of the purest quality and for which there is a heavy and constant demand. Mr. Ertle's plant is strictly sanitary and the equipment is modern, so that the making and bottling of the products are under the best possible conditions.

On June 27, 1896, Mr. Ertle was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Mauger, of Massillon, and to them have been born four children, namely: Marie, the wife of Chester Oliver, of Massillon; and Elmer M., Margaret and Robert, who are associated with their father in the business. Mr. Ertle is a democrat in his political views and has been active in local public affairs, having served as president of the city council. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, while his religious connection is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. He is a man of fine personal qualities and genial manner and throughout this community commands the highest regard for his business ability and his commendable public spirit.

LEONARD B. BLALOCK

Leonard B. Blalock, manager for Wagoner-Marsh, Inc., shoe dealers in Canton, has had wide experience in his line of business and is a man of marked executive ability, the store of which he is the head being now regarded as the leader in its line in this city. Mr. Blalock was born in Wingo, Graves county, Kentucky, on the 3d of November, 1887, and is the second in order of birth of the eleven children of Newton J. and Mattie (Morgan) Blalock. The family is of Scotch-Irish descent and was founded in this country prior to the war of the Revolution. The paternal grandfather, Berry Blalock, was a veteran of the Civil war, having served throughout that conflict in the Confederate Army. Newton J. Blalock was born in Graves county, Kentucky, and acquired a public school education. For many years he has been successfully en-

gaged in the rehandling of tobacco. He is a democrat in politics and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church South.

Leonard B. Blalock attended the public schools of his native town, after which he took a commercial course in the Bryant & Stratton Business College, in Louisville, Kentucky, from which he was graduated in 1906. He then engaged in the shoe business at Mayfield, Kentucky, for four years, after which he sold his store. Moving to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, he became manager of The Bootery, the leading shoe establishment there, and capably filled that position for five years, when he resigned and engaged in the promotion of oil, lead and zinc industries in that section of the state for two years. He then enlisted for service in the World war, being assigned to the Eighty-fourth Division, and went into training at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, but later was transferred to Camp Sherman, at Chillicothe, Ohio, where he became a member of Battery B, Three Hundred and Thirty-second Field Artillery. From there he went to Camp Mills, Long Island, whence he was sent overseas, April 28, 1918. He took an active part in the various offensives, including that of the Meuse-Argonne, and after the Armistice was assigned to the Army of Occupation, serving in Germany from November 16, 1918, until April 22, 1919. Their transfer from France to Germany was made under trying conditions, the regiment being compelled to march the entire distance from Mont Faucon to Bonefelt, during which they endured many hardships and privations. He sailed for home from Brest, France, on the "Von Steuben," formerly the "Crown Prince," the Kaiser's private cruiser, which had a capacity of eleven thousand troops and was loaded to its fullest limit. Mr. Blalock was honorably discharged as a first-class private, June 10, 1919, and then spent a short time visiting his family. He afterward located in Akron, Ohio, where he became connected with the Wagoner-Marsh Shoe Company, remaining there until November 24, 1920, when he was transferred to Canton as manager of Wagoner-Marsh, Inc., which position he has since filled. This is one of the foremost establishments of its kind in the state, having branches in many of the principal cities, and is the sole distributor for this territory of the well known Stetson shoes for men and women. The Canton store carries a complete line of the best makes known to the trade and commands a large and prosperous business.

On December 25, 1892, at Barberton, Summit county, Ohio,

Mr. Blalock was united in marriage to Mabel Ray Kepler, who was born at Clinton, Summit county, December 16, 1887, and is a daughter of Jacob and Mary Alice (Diehl) Kepler. Her great-grandfather, John Kepler, who was of Swiss descent, was a pioneer settler of East Liberty, Logan county, Ohio, and his son, Samuel Kepler, at one time owned the present site of the city of Barberton, having farmed there for over fifty years. Mrs. Blalock's paternal grandmother's maiden name was Susan Sweigert, whose family was of Pennsylvania Dutch stock and came from Pennsylvania to Summit county, Ohio, in an early day. She lived to the age of ninety-seven years.

Politically Mr. Blalock is a democrat and takes a keen interest in public affairs. He is a member of Akron Lodge, No. 365, B. P. O. E., at Akron, Ohio; the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau, and he and his wife are earnest members of the United Brethren church, to which he gives generous support. He is a man of pleasing personality, gives his close attention to the wants and tastes of his patrons and has been a most important factor in the splendid success which his company enjoys here. Personally, he is cordial and friendly in manner, has a large circle of warm friends throughout the community and is highly regarded by all who know him.

D. D. MILLER

D. D. Miller, president of the Ney Manufacturing Company, of Canton, has for many years been actively identified with the well known concern of which he is now the head. He was born in Wooster, Ohio, on the 30th of November, 1882, and is a son of Frank W. and Alice (Howard) Miller. The family was established in Pennsylvania prior to the Revolutionary war but came to Ohio at an early day. The father was born in New Franklin, Stark county; was reared and educated in Wooster and in the early '70s became connected with the Ney Manufacturing Company. On the reorganization and incorporation of the company in 1879, he became its secretary and treasurer, which dual position he filled for a number of years, eventually becoming president of the company, serving as such up to the time of his death. His wife was born in

Wooster and is of English ancestry, her family having been long established in this state. To them were born four children, namely: William H., who is secretary of the Ney Manufacturing Company and is a successful lawyer in Canton; D. D., of this review; Frank W.; and Charlotte M., who is the wife of Samuel Bell, of Wooster, Ohio.

D. D. Miller received his early education in the public schools of Wooster, graduating from high school in 1901, after which he attended Wooster University and took a special course in engineering in Cornell University. On leaving college he returned to Canton and became a member of the Ney Manufacturing Company, of which he was made vice president, which position he held until the death of his father, whom he succeeded as president.

This company was established over fifty years ago by members of Mr. Miller's family, including his father, and has continued as a family corporation to the present time. It is engaged in the manufacture of hay unloading tools, dairy barn equipment, and hardware specialties, in which it has gained a wide reputation, the products being sold all over the United States and in the export trade. It is the only firm engaged in the making of barn equipment east of Chicago, and it produces about fifteen per cent of the country's output in hay unloading tools. The company has a large and up-to-date plant, in which it employs sixty expert workmen, and the business is enjoying a steady and continuous growth. Mr. Miller is also vice president of the Stark County Savings & Loan Association and a director of the Industrial Advancement Corporation.

On July 14, 1908, in Millersburg, Ohio, Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Mildred Carey, who was born and reared in that place and is a daughter of William F. and Mary (Lemmon) Carey, both of whom were representatives of old and well known families of this state. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are the parents of a son, David D., who was born in Canton, December 4, 1916. The family reside at 203 Eighteenth street northwest.

Mr. Miller gives his support to the democratic party, while fraternally he is a member of Wooster Lodge, No. 38, F. & A. M.; Wooster Chapter, No. 37, R. A. M.; Wooster Council, No. 13, R. & S. M.; Wooster Commandery, No. 48, K. T., of which he is a past eminent commander; the lodge, chapter and council of the Scottish Rite in Canton; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.,

at Cleveland. He also belongs to the Rotary Club, Canton Club, the University Club, the Brookside Country Club and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He and his wife are communicants of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church. He gives his consistent support to those things which tend to the advancement of the community welfare, and all who know him hold him in high regard because of his sterling character and fine personal qualities.

JOHN L. HOWENSTINE

John L. Howenstine, president and treasurer of the National Garment Company, of Massillon, has gained a place in the front rank of Massillon's enterprising and able business men and is meeting with well merited success in his present enterprise. A native of the city in which he now lives, he was born January 11, 1881, and is a son of John W. and Mary (Miller) Howenstine, the former a native of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. The family is of German origin and was established in this country by Peter Howenstine, father of John W. John L. Howenstine attended the public schools and also took a course in a commercial school. For a while he was employed in a wholesale house in Youngstown, Ohio, after which he enlisted in the United States Army, being assigned to the Third Cavalry Regiment, with which he served three years, during which period he participated in the Cuban campaign during the Spanish-American war. At the expiration of his enlistment period he received an honorable discharge, returned to Massillon and entered the employ of the Dielhenn Company, textile manufacturers, with whom he remained nine years. He then went into business on his own account, becoming one of the organizers of the Howenstine & Kramer Company, which carried on business for six years, and it was then succeeded by the present corporation, of which Mr. Howenstine is the sole owner. The National Garment Company is engaged in the manufacture of lingerie and employs thirty-five persons. It turns out a good line of products and has built up a good market throughout this section of the country. Mr. Howenstine has given his close attention to the business, in the management of which he has shown ripe judgment, and well deserves the prosperity which is now his. He is a director of the

Ohio-Merchants Trust Company and of the Ideal Company, which operates a department store.

In 1901 Mr. Howenstine was united in marriage to Miss Grace Wilson and they are the parents of two daughters, Mary, who is a graduate of Miami University, and Frances, who is a graduate of Lake Erie College for Women and Kent Normal School. The elder daughter is now the wife of John W. Mushoff, a native of Stark county, engaged in the practice of law in Jacksonville, Florida. In his political views Mr. Howenstine is a republican and has shown a good citizen's interest in matters pertaining to the progress and welfare of his community. He is a member of the Masonic order in all of its branches and the Lakeside Country Club, while his religious connection is with the Christian church. He is a man of sound principles and earnest purpose, is true to the responsibilities of citizenship and his record, both as business man and citizen, has gained for him the sincere respect of all who know him.

HARRY LAVIN

Harry Lavin ranks as one of the foremost business men of Canton, where as founder and promoter of the Sugardale Provision Company he is most widely and favorably known. He is forceful, energetic and determined and his plans are ever carefully formulated and promptly executed. He has learned how to secure maximum results at a minimum expenditure of time and labor and thus he has developed one of the important commercial enterprises of the city. The story of his life is an interesting one.

He was born at Kiev, Russia, March 12, 1870, and there attended the public schools to the age of fourteen years, when in 1884 he crossed the Atlantic and spent about a year in New York city. In 1885 he came to Ohio and entered the employ of the Barber Match Company at Barberton, Summit county. For a few years he was variously employed, but he carefully saved his earnings until his industry and economy had brought him sufficient capital to enable him to establish a retail grocery store in Canton. From that time forward his progress has been continuous. In 1898 he broadened the scope of his activities to include the sale of meats as well as groceries and followed that line for twenty-two years, in

the meantime opening and conducting five different stores. In 1920 he gave evidence of his keen business sagacity and his laudable ambition by organizing the Stark Provision Company, which also proved a profitable concern, the trade growing with great rapidity. His next forward step was made in June, 1926, when he incorporated the business under the name of the Sugardale Provision Company, capitalized for one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In this undertaking he has made still further advancement as a successful merchant of Canton and has associated his three sons with him in the enterprise.

In young manhood Harry Lavin was married to Miss Mary Rabinowitz and they became the parents of three sons: Leo B., who is now vice president of the Sugardale Provision Company; Arthur, who is treasurer; and William, who is secretary. All are young men, alert, energetic and progressive, proving able assistants to their father, and today the company is conducting the largest business in provisions in Stark county, employing on an average of seventy-five people, while its trade territory extends south to the Ohio river and to many of the leading cities throughout the northern part of the state. The business utilizes floor space of approximately forty thousand square feet and a railroad spur affords excellent receiving and shipping facilities. The Sugardale Provision Company is a valuable addition to the commercial ranks of Canton and under the guidance of the president and founder, with the assistance of his sons, who have been well trained in the business, there is no doubt as to the future of the enterprise, which will continue to be one of increasing success.

JOSEPH ELMER WAGNER

In the proper operation of any large business the auditing department is of great importance and demands an accurate knowledge of accountancy and sound and discriminating judgment. These qualities are possessed to a marked degree by Joseph E. Wagner, who is works auditor for the American Steel Foundries Company at Alliance, a position for which he is well qualified by natural aptitude and training. Born in Franklin, Pennsylvania, on the 24th of June, 1886, he is a son of Frank P. and Amelia

(Krimmel) Wagner. The father, who was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, August 6, 1858, learned the trade of a tailor and for many years conducted a successful tailoring establishment. He was a republican in his political views and was an earnest member of the Baptist church. After a long and honorable career, he died at Franklin, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1927. His parents were Adam and Annie (Gilger) Wagner, of whom the former was born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, and died at Venango, that state, where he had been engaged in blacksmithing. He was a soldier of the Union Army during the Civil war, gave his political support to the republican party and was a member of the Lutheran church. His wife was born in Michigan and died in Crawford county. Amelia (Krimmel) Wagner was born in New York city, June 24, 1864, and is a daughter of Joseph and Henrietta (Schriber) Krimmel, both of whom were natives of Germany and died in Franklin, Pennsylvania. Mr. Krimmel was engaged in the lumber business during his early life, but later was identified with the insurance business. He was a republican and a member of the Lutheran church.

Joseph E. Wagner attended the public schools, graduating from the Franklin high school in 1903, and then entered the employ of the American Steel Foundries Company at Franklin. For two years he worked in the chemical laboratory, after which he was in the operating department for five years and was then transferred to the accounting department, in which he was employed for eight years. On April 1, 1921, he was transferred to Alliance as works auditor, in which responsible position he has served to the present time. He is thorough and painstaking in everything he does and his loyal and effective service has won for him high standing with the officials of his company.

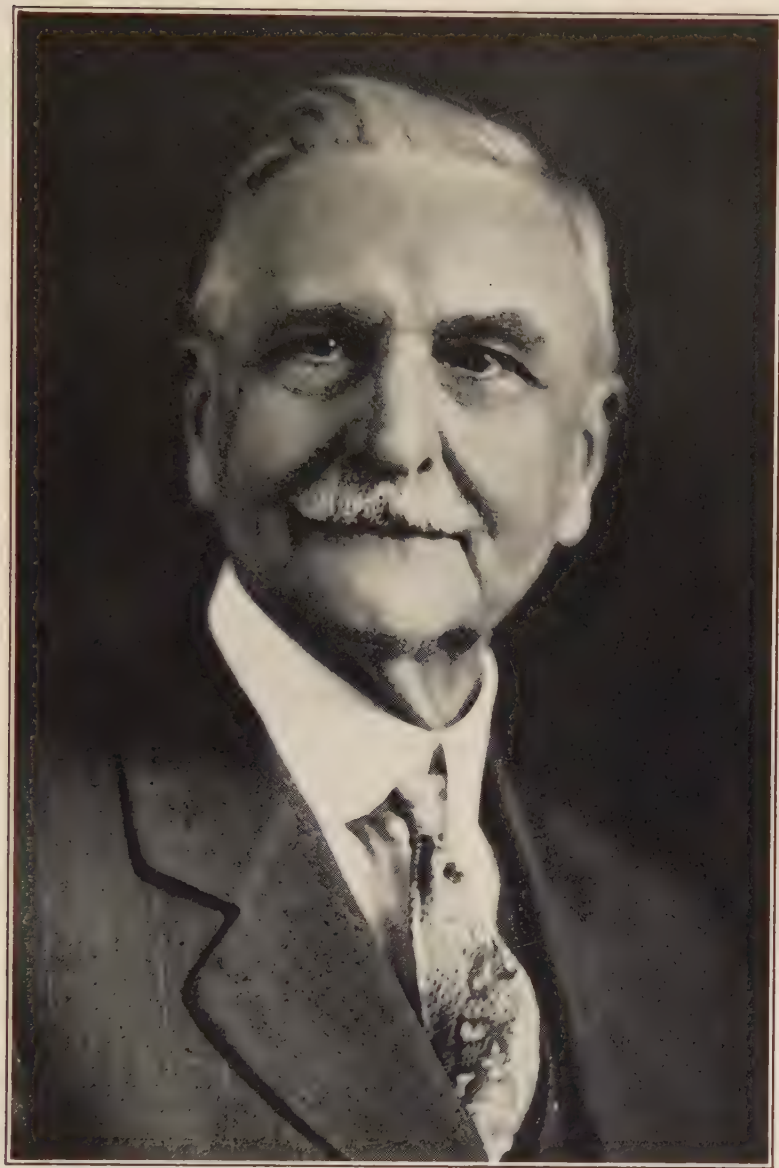
Mr. Wagner was married in Franklin, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1911, to Miss Margaret Donzell McKenzie, who was born in Franklin, June 14, 1887, and is a daughter of Milton S. and Catherine (Carter) McKenzie. Mr. McKenzie, who was a native and lifelong resident of Franklin, was a blacksmith by trade, held membership in the Presbyterian church and gave his active support to the republican party, which elected him to several local offices. His wife, who was born in Venango county, Pennsylvania, now makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Wagner, in Alliance. Mrs. Wagner is a graduate of the Franklin high school, class of 1905,

and since coming to Alliance has become actively interested in church and civic affairs. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner have become the parents of two children, one who died in infancy in 1913 and Joseph E., Jr., born December 25, 1917.

Mr. Wagner is a stanch republican in politics and fraternally is a member of Myrtle Lodge, No. 316, F. & A. M., at Franklin, Pennsylvania; Alliance Chapter, No. 211, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T.; Oil City Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Oil City, Pennsylvania; Tadmor Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Akron, Ohio; Franklin Lodge, No. 210, I. O. O. F., and Alliance Lodge, No. 467, B. P. O. E. He also belongs to the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and he and his wife are earnest members of the Presbyterian church. A man of honorable aims and worthy purposes, Mr. Wagner's career has gained for him the unqualified respect and esteem of his fellowmen and he is extremely popular among his associates.

GEORGE WILLIAM HENRY

George William Henry of Alliance was born near Hanoverton, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 18th of May, 1856, and is a son of William and Keziah (Wiley) Henry. His paternal grandparents were George and Emma (Abbott) Henry, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania and died in Hanoverton, where the grandfather engaged in business as a carpenter and builder. William Henry was born in Abbottstown, Pennsylvania, and died on his farm near Hanoverton, Ohio. In early life he had followed the trade of a cabinetmaker, but his later years were devoted to agricultural pursuits. He was a stanch Jacksonian democrat in politics and was an elder in the Christian church at Hanoverton. His wife was born in Hanoverton and died at the home of her son near Atwater, Ohio. She was a daughter of David Wiley, a native of Ireland, who came to this country when eight years old with his parents, locating at Hanoverton. After the death of his first wife, the mother of Mrs. Henry, Mr. Wiley married a Mrs. Hines, who lived on her farm near Minerva, Ohio, and there he spent his remaining years. In early life he was a weaver, but later became



George H. Henry

a large land owner and followed agricultural pursuits. He was an earnest member of the Christian church; an ardent student of the Bible, and greatly enjoyed quoting passages of scripture.

George William Henry attended the public schools of Hanoverton and later entered Mount Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1876. He taught school before and after his graduation, serving for five years as principal of the Lisbon high school and eight years as superintendent of the Leetonia public schools. He then came to Alliance and for five years was engaged in the clothing manufacturing business. On selling out he went into the fertilizer business, under the name of the Alliance Fertilizer Company, of which he was secretary and general manager for over thirty years but in 1927 he sold his interest in that business, though still giving assistance in the sales department. From a small beginning he developed the business until at the time of the transfer of the company it was a two hundred thousand dollar corporation.

On November 1, 1877, in Elkton, Ohio, Mr. Henry was united in marriage to Miss Olive Williams, who was born August 12, 1856, and died September 27, 1927, in Alliance. She was a daughter of Levi and Mary (March) Williams, both of whom were born near West Point, Ohio, and died on their farm at that place. Mr. Williams was a republican in politics, and he and his wife were very active members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Henry graduated from Mount Union College, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1876, and thereafter taught school prior to her marriage. She was an active member of the First Christian church of Alliance and its various societies, having served for twenty-four years as president of the Ladies Union. She was also a member of the Mount Union College Women's Club and the Round Table Club. By her unassuming life and labors of love she became endeared to all who knew her and her death was mourned by a large circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry became the parents of five children, namely: (1) J. Byron, born February 1, 1879, was graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Mount Union College. He is now vice president and general manager of the Union Steel Casting Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He married Miss Minnie Florence Thomas of Alliance, and they have three children, Hope, Ormand Lee and John Byron, Jr. (2) Virginia Belle, born

October 19, 1880, was also graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Mount Union College. She is now the wife of Homer W. Buck, a draftsman with the Morgan Engineering Company in Alliance and they have two daughters, Jean Shirley and Margaret Olive. (3) Martha Corbett, born September 8, 1887, was graduated from the Alliance high school and Mount Union College. She is the wife of W. F. Kinsey, a realtor of Detroit, Michigan, and they have three children, William, Bettie Ann and Martha Louise. (4) Mary Keziah, born November 16, 1890, was graduated from the Alliance high school and Mount Union College, and taught in the Alliance high school for several years prior to her marriage but is now teaching in the Massillon high school. She has much musical talent, both vocal and instrumental, and played the pipe organ in the Christian church in Alliance for several years. She is at present a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Massillon. She is the wife of Homer M. Johns, an insurance man and mayor of Massillon, and they have two daughters, Mary Ellen and Carolyn. (5) William Paul, born September 30, 1885, died October 2, 1885.

Mr. Henry has always been a democrat in his political affiliation and has been active in local public affairs, having served as a member of the board of education, was a member of the civil service examining board for four years and a member of the board of park commissioners. He is connected with the First Christian church, of which he has been an elder for thirty years, superintendent of the Sunday school for a number of years and teacher of a Bible class. He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M. Mr. Henry has had a creditable business record, having shown himself to be a man of dependable judgment and substantial qualities, and he well merits the success which has crowned his efforts.

WILLIAM CLYDE ELLETT

William C. Ellett, who conducts a prosperous wholesale and retail cigar and tobacco business in Alliance, is the scion of one of Stark county's old pioneer families, his paternal grandparents having settled here nearly one hundred years ago, while during subse-

quent years members of the family have done their full part in the development of the county along both material and civic lines. Mr. Ellett was born in Alliance, on the 13th of January, 1874, a son of William K. and Sarah Ellen (Fogg) Ellett and a grandson of Elias and Almira (Sarash) Ellett, both of whom were born in Salem, New Jersey, the former on January 20, 1812, and the latter in 1816. They came to Stark county, Ohio, in 1839, with their two children, Mary and Ann Elizabeth, and located in Goshen township, where two children, Catherine and William, were born. After two years they came to where the city of Alliance now stands, though at that time there had been no improvements in this locality; here nine more children were born to them: Sarah Abigail, John E., Rebecca Jane, Adonira Judson, Samuel Porch, Elias James, Albert Frank and Almyra and Alvira, twins. Of their thirteen children the only survivor is Albert F., who lives on the old Elias Ellett homestead farm, which is now within the city limits of Alliance. After coming to Stark county, Elias Ellett engaged in farming, and also dealt in livestock, prospering in his business. He was a republican in his political views and held a number of local offices, while his religious faith was that of the Baptist church. His wife, Almira, died December 31, 1858, at the age of forty-two years, and subsequently he married Miss Rebecca Jane Fogg, to which union was born a son, Henry B. Ellett, who is now a resident of Danville, Illinois. The original farm of ninety acres which Elias Ellett bought when he came here is still in the family, being owned and operated by Albert F. Ellett. Elias Ellett lived a long and useful life and died in Alliance, January 1, 1895, secure in the respect and esteem of all who knew him.

William K. Ellett was born in Goshen township, November 16, 1841, and died in Alliance, December 15, 1915, at the age of seventy-four years. During his active life he was extensively engaged in coal operations and was also interested in mercantile affairs. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served as a lieutenant in Company K, One Hundred and Fifteenth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He gave his political support to the republican party and was active in local affairs, having served as infirmary director and as township trustee. He was an adherent of the Baptist church. Ellen (Fogg) Ellett was born in Alliance and was a daughter of Aaron and Rebecca (Barnes) Fogg, of whom the former was born in this state and followed carpentering and farming, but retired

some time prior to his death, which occurred in Alliance, while the latter was born in Mahoning county, Ohio, and died in Alliance in December, 1892.

William Clyde Ellett received his educational training in the public schools of Alliance and then became an apprentice machinist with the Morgan Engineering Company. After completing his four-year apprenticeship, he continued at his trade as a journeyman for six years and in 1901 he opened a wholesale and retail cigar and tobacco store at 563 East Main street, to which he has devoted his attention to the present time. He carries a large and complete stock and, through the exercise of sound judgment and progressive methods, has enjoyed a large and profitable business, being regarded as one of the leaders in his line in Stark county.

On May 1, 1913, in Canalton, Ohio, Mr. Ellett was united in marriage to Miss Florence Van Meter, who was born in Minerva, Ohio, July 30, 1889, and is a daughter of George and Almyra (Morehead) Van Meter. Her father, a successful carpenter and builder, was born in East Rochester, Ohio, in September, 1853, and his death occurred in Minerva, Ohio, June 5, 1914. He was a republican and a member of the Christian church. His wife was born in Minerva, Ohio, in 1857, and died there March 3, 1893. George Van Meter was a son of James Van Meter, a native of Holland, who on coming to this country located at Minerva, where he engaged in the furniture business, and also conducted an inn. He was a member of the Christian church and voted the republican ticket. Almyra (Morehead) Van Meter was a daughter of James Morehead, of Minerva, where he followed the trade of an iron moulder. He served throughout the Civil war in the Union Army, always supported the republican party, and was a member of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Ellett was educated in the public schools of Minerva and is a member of the Christian church and the Mount Union College Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Ellett are the parents of two children, Betty Jane, born July 20, 1915, and Sarah Ellen, born October 7, 1926.

Mr. Ellett has always supported the republican party and has shown an active interest in the public affairs of his community, giving his earnest cooperation in the advancement of measures for the welfare of his city and county. He is a member of McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery, No.

67, K. T.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Cleveland; Lone Crag Aerie, No. 224, F. O. E.; Alliance Lodge, No. 362, L. O. O. M.; a life member of Alliance Lodge, No. 467, B. P. O. E.; and a member of the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He gives his support to the Baptist church, as he does to all other worthy benevolent causes, and is regarded as one of his community's generous and public-spirited citizens. He has earned a prominent place in the commercial life of Alliance, while in his effective interest in the community welfare he is the peer of any of his fellows, so that he is well worthy of the confidence and respect which are accorded him by all who know him.

ALVA L. DEAL

Alva L. Deal, judge of the probate and juvenile court of Stark county, has made a notable record as a lawyer, jurist and citizen, having made a most careful study not only of the basic principles of jurisprudence but also of those great scientific principles which are now claiming the attention of thinking men throughout the world in the solution of problems having to do with the analysis of human nature in an attempt to understand the cause of abnormal conditions which produce crime. In this connection Judge Deal has shown a marked spirit of initiative and understanding.

A native of Columbiana county, Ohio, he was born February 4, 1871, his parents being Rev. George F. and Susan (Rosenberry) Deal. The family was established in Ohio by the paternal grandfather, George F. Deal, who was a native of Pennsylvania but settled near Wilmot, in Stark county, at an early period in the development of that region. He was an expert mechanic and gained wide recognition as an inventor. His son, the Rev. George F. Deal, was born near Dundee, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and devoted his life to the work of the ministry. He married Susan Rosenberry, a representative of one of the pioneer families of Tuscarawas county, and they became the parents of four sons and four daughters, of whom two of the sons have passed away, while those who survive are: Adna D., the wife of William C. Elliott, of Mason City, Nebraska; Alva L., of this review; Cora G., the wife of Dr. William Kaake, of Duluth, Minnesota; Abbalene, the

widow of the late Dr. Arthur Rumery; Karl E., of Dayton, Ohio; and Irma, the wife of Hugh Funkhauser, of Dayton, Ohio.

Alva L. Deal acquired his early education in the public schools of Massillon and later attended the Gibbon Institute in Gibbon, Nebraska, and also the York College in York, that state. Subsequently he spent three years as a student in the University of Nebraska and at his graduation in 1898 the Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred upon him. In the meantime he had determined upon the practice of law as his life work and to this end became a law student in the University of Nebraska, winning his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1901. Judge Deal then returned to Stark county but did not at once enter upon active practice, devoting three years to duties as vice president of the Bair-Johnson Wholesale Grocery Company of Canton. In 1906 he entered the office of Probate Judge Charles C. Bow as chief deputy of the probate court and continued in that position for seven years, after which he entered upon the private practice of law in partnership with L. C. Wise under the firm name of Wise & Deal. That association was maintained for eight years and on the 9th of February, 1921, Mr. Deal became judge of the probate and juvenile court, in which he has rendered important and valuable service to the present time. He is also a member of the board of directors of the North Canton Bank, but the major part of his time and thought is given to his professional duties, especially those of a judicial character. In an address before the Ohio Probation Association during the annual convention of the State Welfare Association held in Canton, Judge Deal, the retiring president of the Probation group, advanced the idea that the facilities of the Massillon state hospital for the insane and similar institutions in the state can be advantageously used in establishing clinics for the mentally sick. Judge Deal stated the well known fact that a certain stigma attached to institutions for the treatment of mental cases and also that hundreds of people are afflicted with slight mental disorders, many of which are curable. While many of the larger cities have institutions in which such cases can be treated, the smaller cities and rural communities have no facilities for their care. He announced his belief that the specialists attached to the Massillon state hospital and other such state institutions could establish clinics in every county seat within their district to which border-line cases could be brought and that an educational campaign informing the people as to the purpose of

this plan should be instituted. Dr. Hyde, superintendent of the Massillon state hospital, after hearing Judge Deal, declared that the idea was entirely new and that it had important and far-reaching possibilities.

As head of the juvenile court Judge Deal is thoroughly studying in an analytical way the reformation of the boy or girl. He does not believe in branding youthful offenders by sending them to a correctional institution, for it does not remove the cause of offense. For fifteen years the Judge has been dealing at first hand with juvenile delinquency in all its manifold forms, and it was this phase of the question that further led him to the promulgation of his idea concerning the establishment of clinics in every county for the study of the mental condition of the individual that such a clinic might be made a permanent feature as an adjunct of all Ohio's criminal courts. The Judge feels that science and psychiatry instead of steel and force must point the way toward the prevention of crime and juvenile delinquency. He feels that the problem is not so much curbing the delinquency as ascertaining its underlying cause, and this is where the juvenile clinic would come in. It would determine the responsibility for the delinquency and by removing the cause the delinquent would stand a chance of one hundred to one in going straight. The Judge feels that the lack of sympathy for children is one of the greatest faults of the modern day and that there is a lack of harmonious relationship between parents and children that frequently contributes to juvenile delinquency. He believes that much of the blame should be placed not upon the young but upon the parents in their lack of understanding and in their failure to rightfully guide their offspring, and as the result of his long experience and close investigation Judge Deal has arrived at the following conclusions :

1. Many of life's failures are preventable.
2. Nervous and mental maladjustments may often be corrected.
3. Nervous handicaps may be overcome.
4. Scientific combat with these afflictions may be carried on with increasing promise of success and cure.
5. One person in every twenty-five needs treatment for disease of the brain or nervous system.
6. Adjust the maladjustments in the boys and girls, plant in their minds the necessity of correct living, restore to them the kind

of a home to which they are entitled, and juvenile delinquency will be reduced to a minimum.

On December 24, 1906, in Canton, Judge Deal was united in marriage to Miss Luella R. Richards, who was born and reared in Stark county and is a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Seesdorf) Richards, both of whose families were numbered among the early pioneers of this county. Judge and Mrs. Deal are the parents of three children: George L., James R. and Elizabeth Sue. The family resides at 1020 Twenty-third street, northwest, Canton.

Judge Deal has been a lifelong supporter of the republican party and has been active in political and civic affairs. Fraternally he is identified with the following bodies: Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, No. 216, A. A. S. R., of Cleveland; Nazir Grotto, No. 1012, M. O. V. P. E. R.; the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; and the Loyal Order of Moose. His name is likewise on the membership rolls of the Canton Masonic Club, the Optimist Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. Judge and Mrs. Deal attend the First Methodist Episcopal church. The former is a member of the Ohio Probation Association, of which he is a past president, and, being widely recognized as a leader in his special field of labor, Governor A. V. Donahey appointed him as delegate to represent the state of Ohio at the fifty-ninth annual meeting of the National Conference of Social Work, held in Memphis, Tennessee, May 2-9, 1928. The Judge is a man of strong personality and has honored and dignified the office which he is holding, the duties of which he has discharged in a commendable and satisfactory way. Kindly and affable in manner, he has a large circle of warm friends and all who know him entertain for him the highest respect.

WILLIAM J. BENNETT

William J. Bennett, one of the owners and the general manager of the Bennett-Brown Hardware Company, at Alliance, has won recognition as a progressive business man, his prosperity having come to him as the legitimate result of his persevering and determined efforts along well directed lines. He was born in Dalbeattie, Scotland, March 27, 1893, and is a son of William and Mary

(Hannon) Bennett. His father, who was born in Lester, England, in 1851, has for many years been a quarrymaster, and is still living in Dalbeattie. He is a member of the Roman Catholic church and is a member of the liberal party in politics. His wife was born in 1851 in Ballymote, county Sligo, Ireland, and died at Dalbeattie, Scotland, February 14, 1924, at the age of seventy-three years.

William J. Bennett attended the public schools at New Abby, Scotland, and completed his education at Dalbeattie. He then went to work as a retail hardware salesman, following that line for five years, and then became manager of Robinson Brothers' hardware store in Dumfries, Scotland. A year later, in 1913, he came to the United States, locating in Columbus, Ohio, where for two years he was employed as a salesman in the hardware store of Cousins & Fear. He then came to Alliance as salesman for the Allott-Kryder Hardware Company, with which he remained two years, and on May 1, 1917, he engaged in the hardware business at 615 East Main street, under the name of the Bennett-Brown Hardware Company, Inc., of which he has been general manager to the present time. This concern carries a large and complete line of shelf and heavy hardware, implements, stoves and allied lines, and has enjoyed a very satisfactory patronage.

On April 14, 1920, in Alliance, Mr. Bennett was united in marriage to Miss Mary R. Karper, who was born in this city, September 13, 1897, and is a daughter of Frank and Elizabeth (Wolf) Karper, of whom the latter was born in Hamilton, Ohio, and died in Alliance. Mr. Karper, who is a native of Alliance, is a stationary engineer, gives his political support to the democratic party and is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. Mrs. Bennett was educated in the parochial schools of Alliance and is a woman of splendid qualities, deservedly popular in social circles. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett are the parents of three children: Mary Elizabeth, born February 21, 1921; William F., born January 20, 1923; and Richard Andrew, born October 5, 1925. The republican party receives Mr. Bennett's political support and he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion and the Knights of Columbus. He and his wife are earnest members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. Mr. Bennett is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in the United States air service at San Antonio, Texas, in March, 1918. After training there for three months, he was transferred to the Wilbur Wright flying field at

Dayton, Ohio, where he remained until receiving his honorable discharge, in March, 1919. Courteous and accommodating in his business relations, cordial and friendly in manner and fair and square in all of his dealings, he has won the confidence and respect of all who know him.

J. MARVIN DOWDA, O. D.

Dr. J. Marvin Dowda is regarded as an expert specialist in eye troubles and since coming to Canton has gained a place in the forefront of his profession here. He is also active in commercial affairs as a stockholder and manager of the Jones Optical Company, manufacturers and wholesale distributors of optical goods, and in this connection is meeting with very gratifying success. Dr. Dowda was born in Canton, Cherokee county, Georgia, on the 19th of June, 1885, a son of Rev. J. L. and Adeline (Reinhardt) Dowda. The family is of Irish origin and was founded in this country by John Dowda, who arrived here in 1756, settling in Virginia. Later generations of the family migrated to Georgia and North Carolina and representatives of the name fought in the war of the Revolution. J. L. Dowda was reared and educated in Georgia and North Carolina, graduating from Oxford College, from which he later received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. He entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he was actively engaged until his retirement. His death occurred in 1912, at the age of eighty-four years. His widow, who now resides in Atlanta, Georgia, is a native of that state and is of German lineage, being descended from John Reinhardt, who came from Germany in the latter part of the eighteenth century and settled in Virginia. Members of the family participated in the wars for independence and two of Mrs. Dowda's great-uncles, Augustus and Louis Reinhardt, founded Reinhardt College, at Wal-eska, Georgia, and were for many years prominently identified with the educational affairs of that state. To Rev. and Mrs. Dowda were born five children, all of whom are living.

J. Marvin Dowda received his educational training in private schools in Atlanta, Georgia, and in various schools in the places where his father was stationed as a minister. He continued his



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studies in Tahatte College, at Gainesville, Georgia, and then entered the Pennsylvania College of Optometry and Ophthalmology, graduating in 1918 with the degree of Doctor of Optometry and in 1922 with the degree of Doctor of Ophthalmology. Returning to Atlanta, he engaged in the practice of his profession for a short period, moving then to Petersburg, Virginia, and later to Cincinnati, Ohio, and in 1923 he came to Canton. Soon after arriving here the Doctor organized the Jones Optical Company, Inc., and engaged in the manufacture of optical goods. Success has attended his efforts and this concern is now the largest in its line in Canton. In addition to an extensive wholesale and distributing business, the firm also maintains parlors for private practice and has established a large and growing clientele, Dr. Dowda's professional ability having gained wide recognition throughout this locality.

On June 19, 1924, in Newport, Kentucky, Dr. Dowda was united in marriage to Miss Helen Campbell, a native of Kentucky and a daughter of William and Helen (Stenger) Campbell. Dr. and Mrs. Dowda are the parents of a son, J. Marvin, Jr., who was born June 10, 1926. The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and fraternally is a member of Powhatan Starke Lodge, No. 124, A. F. & A. M., and Lake Erie Consistory, S. P. R. S. at Cleveland; Canton Lodge, No. 233, L. O. O. M.; Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; the Canton Chamber of Commerce, the Wise Men's Service Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. He and his wife are active members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. The Doctor possesses an agreeable personality and since coming to this city has gained a large circle of warm friends, while throughout the community he is held in high regard.

REV. EARL C. HERMAN, D. D.

Few men have filled as large a place in the community life of Canton as does Dr. Earl C. Herman, the able and popular pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, who has not only been remarkably successful as a minister of the Gosepl, but has also, through his wide interest in the general welfare of his city, been active in the advo-

cacy and support of movements and measures calculated to promote the culture and advancement of the people. He was born in York, York county, Pennsylvania, on the 12th of January, 1889, and is a son of Simon H. and Mary Lydia (Rupp) Herman, both of whom were natives of York, where the father was born in 1855 and the mother in 1854, and both were descended from old German stock, their respective families having settled in Pennsylvania in an early day, the Herman family prior to the Revolutionary war. The paternal grandfather was a veteran of the Civil war, serving with a regiment of Pennsylvania volunteers. Simon H. Herman was reared and educated in York and devoted his active life to mercantile and manufacturing pursuits, in which he was successful. His death occurred September 15, 1927, at the age of seventy-two years. During the Civil war he accompanied his father with a load of provisions for General Meade's headquarters. To him and his wife were born four children, three sons and a daughter, namely: Addie, who died at the age of thirty years; Rev. S. W., who has for twenty-five years been pastor of Zion Lutheran church in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Earl C.; and Clyde H., who is manager of the Hotel Penn, at York, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Earl C. Herman secured his early education in public and private schools in York, continuing his studies in the York County Academy, from which he was graduated in 1905. He graduated from Gettysburg College, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1910, after which he spent three years in the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. In 1913, at Asbury Park, New Jersey, he was ordained to the ministry of the Lutheran church, and became pastor of the Zion Lutheran church at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, where he served two years, and then accepted a call to the Luther Memorial church in Erie, Pennsylvania. He had a very successful pastorate of six years there, and, in May, 1921, became pastor of Trinity Lutheran church in Canton. Able and eloquent in the pulpit, earnest and effective in the pastoral work, and a man of splendid executive ability, he has strengthened his church in all of its departments and it is one of the most active and influential religious organizations of this city. In 1925 Mr. Herman received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Augustana College, at Rock Island, Illinois.

On February 11, 1915, in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, Dr. Her-

man was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Isabell Miller, who was born in Leechburg, Pennsylvania, and is a daughter of Rev. Dr. William J. and Evelyn (Townsend) Miller, the former a prominent Lutheran divine, while both were members of old Philadelphia families. Mrs. Herman is a director of the Canton Women's Club, belongs also to the College Women's Club and the Sorosis Club and takes an active part in the local and state missionary work of her church.

The republican party receives Dr. Herman's political support and he maintains a deep interest in public affairs. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Canton Scholarship Foundation and on January 5, 1928, was elected president of the Civic Music Association, through which Canton will be assured of a series of concerts by leading artists each season. Dr. Herman is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; the Canton Kiwanis Club, of which he was president in 1927; the Brookside Country Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of many estimable personal qualities, enjoys a large acquaintance throughout this city and is held in high esteem by all with whom he has come in contact.

LEE F. GRAYBILL

Lee F. Graybill, treasurer and general manager of the Warwick Company, of Massillon, has been active in the business circles of this city for a number of years and is classed among its progressive, able and substantial citizens. He was born in Massillon on the 31st of October, 1873, and is a son of Jacob and Mary (Landis) Graybill, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Port Washington, Ohio. The father was a carpenter by trade and was also a successful and popular school teacher. Lee F. Graybill completed the course of the grade schools and attended high school, leaving school to enter the employ of Spangler & Company, haberdashers, with which firm he remained for five years. From January, 1896, to 1903 he was with the firm of Warwick & Justus, and then, on the organization of the present company, in which he had a part, he became its secretary. In 1916 he was made treasurer and manager, which dual relationship he still sustains. The

company deals in coal, feeds, lime, cement and builders' supplies and is located at 432 Tremont street southeast. Mr. Graybill is also interested in a number of other enterprises, being a director and secretary of the Goshen Central Coal Company, a director and treasurer of the Massillon Savings and Loan Company, and a director of the Cuyahoga Steel and Wire Company, of Bedford, Ohio.

On October 7, 1897, Mr. Graybill was united in marriage to Miss Violet Pague, of Kenton, Ohio, and they have a daughter, Eleanor, who is the wife of G. E. Ferrell and the mother of a son, Lee Junior. Mr. Graybill has supported the republican party ever since attaining his majority and has been actively interested in local public affairs, having served as a member of the city council. He is a member of Clinton Lodge, No. 47, F. & A. M., and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Cleveland. He and his wife are members of the Christian church, to which they give their earnest support, as they do to all other worthy causes. He has led an upright life, characterized by a fine public spirit and friendly manner.

FRANK L. COLE

A prominent figure among the real estate and insurance men of Canton is Frank L. Cole, who has been engaged in business here for practically a third of a century and is numbered among Stark county's able and progressive citizens.

Mr. Cole was born in New Baltimore, this county, April 27, 1870, and is a son of William T. and Catherine (Strouse) Cole. The father was born in England in 1827 and was there reared and educated to the age of sixteen years, when the family came to the United States, locating in Massillon, Ohio, where he drove a mule on the tow path of the Ohio canal. Later he learned the trade of a moulder, at which he was employed in various places, and in 1860 he bought a small plow shop in New Baltimore, to the operation of which he devoted his efforts successfully for thirty-five years. He was also interested in farming and prospered in that occupation. His death, which occurred at New Baltimore in 1904, was widely regretted, for he was a man of splendid character and fine public spirit. His wife was a daughter of Charles Strouse, a native of

Pennsylvania, who settled near Youngstown, Ohio, at an early day. She passed away in 1889. They were the parents of four sons and six daughters, as follows: Charles, who bought his father's business at New Baltimore and carried it on for about ten years but is now deceased; A. W., who is an extensive celery and onion grower near Hartville, Ohio; John M., who taught school for some years but later engaged in the insurance business in Canton and is now deceased; Frank L.; Mrs. Charlotte Chain, who lives in the old family home in New Baltimore; Mary, the wife of David B. Smith, of Canton; Alice R., the wife of Elisha Wittlessey, of near Atwater, Ohio; Samantha, the wife of John L. Mickle, of Canton; Nellie, the wife of Owen P. Thompson, formerly of Atwater, Ohio, but now a resident of California; and Lillie, who lived in New Baltimore but is now deceased.

Frank L. Cole received his educational training in the public schools of New Baltimore and the high schools of Randolph and Marlboro, and then engaged in teaching school, which profession he followed for six years. In 1896 he came to Canton and acquired a third interest in the fire insurance business with which he is still identified. This concern was originally established by J. T. Kirkwood, who sold it to Mr. Cole's brother, John M., who in turn sold to Frank L. Cole and H. F. Dailey and at that time, in partnership with John W. A. Staudt, took the state agency for the Royal Union Mutual Life Insurance Company. Three years later Frank L. Cole and Mr. Dailey divided their business, Mr. Cole taking the non-union companies, and Mr. Dailey the union companies, and Mr. Cole has continued the business to the present time under the name of the Frank L. Cole Company, of which he is president. He represents a number of the strongest fire insurance companies in the world and his agency has for a number of years been one of the largest in Stark county. Since 1910 he has also been interested in the real estate business, as dealer and broker, and has met with notable success, being the owner of valuable property in Canton and Cleveland. He is a director of the Canton Mortgage Security Company and The Moock Electric Company and is regarded as one of the city's leading business men.

In 1892 Mr. Cole was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Pearl Maxwell, of Marlboro, Stark county, and they became the parents of six children, namely: Olive Catherine, the wife of Henry Hogan, of Canton; Cyril Howard, who died at the age of eighteen

years; Charlotte Irene, the widow of Russell Hague and a resident of Canton; Frank Maxwell, who died at the age of six months; Mary Lucile; and Alice Gwendolyn, of Canton. On March 1, 1918, in Canton, Mr. Cole married Miss Hazel A. Roberts, who was born in Pennsylvania and is a daughter of James and Rusha (Fil) Roberts. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are the parents of two children, Frank L., Jr., born February 1, 1920, and Jean Elizabeth, born February 16, 1922. The family resides at 805 Colonial boulevard.

Mr. Cole is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Loyal Order of Moose, and also belongs to the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club. He is a member and was the third president of the Canton Real Estate Board, is a past vice president of the Ohio State Real Estate Board and was a member of the ethics committee of the National Real Estate Association. He has been active in the Chamber of Commerce and gives his hearty support to all movements calculated to advance the welfare of his city or county. He and his family attend the First Christian church and he gives generously to all worthy benevolent causes. He is a man of strong personality, candid and straightforward in all of his affairs, and throughout the community in which he lives commands the unqualified confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

W. BURTON STONER

W. Burton Stoner, of Massillon, who is regarded as one of the most capable civil engineers in Stark county and enjoys a large and remunerative patronage, was born on a farm southwest of Massillon, in Stark county, August 19, 1876, and is a son of Cyrus H. and Lucina (Brenkman) Stoner, who were married June 22, 1869. His paternal great-grandparents were Andrew and Mary Stoner, who came from Pennsylvania to Stark county in a very early day, being numbered among the pioneers of this locality. They were the parents of Christian Stoner, who was born in Pennsylvania and was about eight years of age when brought to Ohio. He married Miss Elizabeth Hostetter and they became the parents of Cyrus H. Stoner, who was born in Stark county, November 15, 1849. Here he was reared and educated, followed farming and became the

owner of considerable land. Later he moved to Massillon and became the owner of the Westside Milling Company. He was prominent and influential in public affairs, served for several years on the board of education and was a member of the board of county commissioners. To him and his wife were born four children.

W. Burton Stoner acquired his early education in the public and high schools of Massillon and then entered Heidelberg University, at Tiffin, Ohio, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1900. For about seven years he engaged in newspaper work, being connected with the Massillon papers, the Columbus Press-Post and the Cincinnati Enquirer, and then returned to Massillon, where he has since devoted his attention to the profession of civil and mining engineering, for which he took college training. His ability in that line received prompt recognition and in all of his work he has been found accurate and dependable, so that his practice has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth.

In 1901 Mr. Stoner was united in marriage to Miss Emma Goodman, of Bucyrus, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, Helen, Burton and Daniel. Mr. Stoner has always given his political support to the democratic party and has shown an interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Reformed church and no movement for the betterment of the community along material, civic or moral lines lacks for his support. He is a man of sincere purpose, honorable principles and his life has been well spent.

WALLACE C. SCHICK

The important position of clerk of courts of Stark county is being filled in a very acceptable manner by Wallace C. Schick, whose past service in various public capacities has been of a character that has gained for him the uniform respect and confidence of his fellowmen. Mr. Schick was born in North Canton, Stark county, on the 19th of January, 1873, and is a son of Adam and Mahala (Carpenter) Schick. His paternal grandfather, Peter Schick, was a native of Maryland, of German ancestry, and became a pioneer settler in Stark county, where he followed agricultural pursuits to the time of his death. Adam Schick was born in this

county and was educated in the public schools. For many years he successfully engaged in mercantile pursuits in North Canton, and became prominent in local public affairs, having served as justice of the peace and as postmaster of North Canton. A veteran of the Civil war, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served four years. He was a republican in his political views and was reared in the faith of the Dunkard church. His death occurred in June, 1914, at the age of sixty-eight years. His wife was born in Stark county, December 5, 1842, and was a daughter of Gabriel Carpenter, who was of German descent and was a pioneer of this county. Her death occurred in March, 1915, at the age of sixty-three years. To Mr. and Mrs. Shick were born two sons and a daughter.

Wallace C. Schick, the only one now living, was educated in the public schools of North Canton and at the age of twelve years entered his father's store, in which he was employed until twenty-two years of age. In 1904 he was appointed deputy county recorder, in which capacity he served for nine years, after which for seven years he held the position of clerk to the board of county commissioners. In August, 1921, he was appointed clerk of courts and has served in that capacity to the present time.

On November 9, 1891, in Canton, Mr. Shick was united in marriage to Miss Etta Schreiner, who was born in Stark county, a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Zerbe) Schreiner, of an old and well known family of this section of the state. To this union were born three daughters, namely: May, who is the wife of William Bauman, of Canton, and has two children, William and Lucy; Susan, who is the wife of Lawrence Ward, of Canton, and has a daughter, Catherine; and Beulah, who married Ward Lash, of Canton, and has a daughter, Marjorie. The mother died in March, 1897, and on March 5, 1928, Mr. Schick married Miss Lydia Hemphill, a native of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Schick is a republican and has been active in the political affairs of this county. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland; the Knights of Pythias, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Sons of Veterans, and also belongs to the Shady Hollow Shrine Club. He is an earnest member of the First Christian church of North Canton and his support can be depended upon in the advancement of worthy causes and in promoting the

welfare of the city and county in which he lives. He is courteous and accommodating, is faithful and efficient in the performance of his official duties and all who know him hold him in the highest esteem.

HARRY W. LIVINGSTON

Harry W. Livingston, who has for twelve years been connected with the Ohio Public Service Company at Alliance, is widely known through this section of the state and enjoys a well merited reputation for his general ability and high scharacter. He was born at Crestline, Ohio, September 15, 1877, his parents being Ralph Willis and Olive (Van Winkle) Livingston. The father, who was a native of New York state, was for many years a contractor for the Pennsylvania Railroad, and died in Crestline, May 15, 1893, at the age of forty-six years. He was a republican and a member of the Presbyterian church. His father, Reuben Livingston, who also was a native of New York state and followed farming, being a large land owner, died in Crestline in 1852. He was a Presbyterian in religious faith and a supporter of the republican party. Olive (Van Winkle) Livingston was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and died in Denver, Colorado, December 7, 1913, at the age of sixty-two years.

Harry W. Livingston secured his educational training in the public schools of Crestline and then entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad at that place. He was a freight conductor, running from Crestline to Pittsburgh, and remained with that company until 1916, when he became associated with the Ohio Public Service Company at Alliance as traffic manager, filling that position until the spring of 1920. He is still with that company and is handling securities for the Henry L. Doherty Company, of New York city, as sales manager of the Alliance branch, and has been very successful. He is a man of great energy, clear-headed judgment and a splendid personality, and is held in high regard by all who know him.

On August 4, 1926, in Canton, Ohio, Mr. Livingston was united in marriage to Miss Della Hunter, who was born at Homeworth, Ohio, April 28, 1889, and is a daughter of John and Nora

(Bush) Hunter. Her father, also a native of this state, was a farmer by occupation and died in Lexington, Ohio. He was a republican and a member of the Christian church. His wife was born in Homesworth, Ohio, July 18, 1865, and died in Alliance, January 29, 1916. She was a daughter of Levi and Elizabeth Bush, of Homesworth, both of whom are deceased. Mr. Bush, who was a carpenter and builder by trade, served in the Union Army throughout the Civil war. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Livingston received her education in the public schools of Uniontown, Ohio, is a member of the First Christian church, the Women's Missionary Society and the King's Helpers Sunday school class. She has a brother, Robert Hunter, who is a foreman for the Ohio Construction Company in Cleveland, and a sister, Mrs. Lottie Robyn, a resident of Cleveland.

Mr. Livingston has always supported the republican party and has shown a proper interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and Lodge No. 467, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, in Alliance, and is an adherent of the Presbyterian church. Straightforward in manner, candid and honest in all of his dealings, he has won and retains a high place in the confidence of his fellowmen and has many warm friends throughout the community.

GEORGE EBY LOZIER

George Eby Lozier has for many years been actively identified with the business interests of Alliance and is now conducting one of its leading floral establishments, in which he is enjoying a worthy and well merited success. He was born in Washington township, Stark county, on the 15th of April, 1863, a son of George P. and Sarah (Fox) Lozier. His paternal grandparents were Adam and Nancy M. (Davis) Lozier, the former of whom was born in 1799 and died June 5, 1883, on his farm south of Alliance. He followed farming during the greater part of his active life and was successful in his business affairs. He was a member of the Evangelical church; was a democrat in his political views; and took a deep interest in the advancement of his community, having donated the ground for one of the schoolhouses in



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Washington township. He was of German descent, was born and reared in Pennsylvania and came to Ohio in 1820. His wife was a native of Washington township, this county, where she spent her entire life. Sarah (Fox) Lozier, a native and lifelong resident of Washington township, was a daughter of Jacob Fox, a farmer of that township and of Revolutionary ancestry. George P. Lozier, the father of our subject, was a soldier of the Civil war, having enlisted in the One Hundred Fifteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

George E. Lozier was graduated from the public schools of Washington township, supplementing this training by several correspondence courses. He was reared to farming, which vocation he followed for about twenty years, but in 1909 he removed to Alliance, where for about four years he was engaged in the real estate business. During the ensuing two years he was connected with the Stark Electric Company, after which he engaged in the farm machinery business in Alliance for eight years. In this he was successful, but since 1924 he has conducted a retail florist business. He carries a full line of cut flowers and potted plants, and by his courteous and prompt service has become firmly established in the favor of the people of the city, his business showing a steady and substantial growth.

On February 28, 1889, in Washington township, this county, Mr. Lozier was united in marriage to Miss Alice E. Roose, who was born in that township, April 17, 1870, and is a daughter of Simeon and Catherine (Bailey) Roose. Her paternal grandparents were Frederick and Nancy (Switzer) Roose, the former of whom was a son of John Roose. Frederick Roose was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, and died in Washington township, Stark county, where he had engaged in farming. He was a member of the United Brethren church. His wife also was a native of Columbiana county, was burned to death in Washington township when her home was destroyed by fire. Simeon Roose, who was born in Washington township, followed farming during his active years and died in Homeworth, Ohio. He was an adherent of the United Brethren church, and was an active supporter of the democratic party, serving as township trustee and school director. His wife was born in Trumbull county, Ohio, and died on their home farm in Washington township. She was a daughter of Jesse and Saloma (Kistler) Bailey, also farming people. Mr. Bailey was a democrat in politics, and he and his wife were members of the

Lutheran church. The latter was a native of Trumbull county, where her death occurred. Mrs. Lozier was educated in the public schools of Washington township and has taken an active interest in the work of the various church societies to which she belongs. Mr. and Mrs. Lozier have one daughter, Florence Edna, who was born April 5, 1896, and was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1916. On April 5, 1917, she became the wife of John Madison, who was employed for about fifteen years as a draftsman with the Alliance Machine Company. Mr. and Mrs. Madison are members of the First Methodist church and are active in church work. They have two children, Dorothy Jean, born June 15, 1922, and Elvin Ray, born April 16, 1926.

Politically Mr. Lozier is nominally a republican but is inclined to be independent in his voting, supporting the candidates whom he regards as best fitted for public office. He served four years as clerk of Washington township, and for a number of years was president of the Home Mutual Insurance Company of Marlboro township. He belongs to the Sons of Veterans, and he and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church, to which they give generous support. Because of his business ability and splendid character, he is held in the highest esteem throughout the community.

SYDNEY L. GEIGER

Sydney L. Geiger has well merited the place which he holds in the front rank of the able and successful lawyers of Alliance, where he commands a large and lucrative practice. He is also prominently identified with a number of the leading business organizations of this city. Born in East Liverpool, Ohio, on the 6th of July, 1889, he is a son of Max and Leah (Lerner) Geiger. His father was born in Austria-Hungary, now Czecho-Slovakia, February 14, 1864, and died December 20, 1926, in Cleveland, Ohio, while a resident of Alliance, Ohio. He attended the public schools of his native land and at the age of sixteen years came to the United States. He began his business career in East Liverpool, Ohio, as a merchant and in 1893 came to Alliance, where he entered the clothing business on East Main street. Shortly afterwards he was

joined by his brother, Morris W. Geiger, the business being thereafter conducted under the name of Geiger Brothers until 1923, when the partnership was dissolved and Max Geiger and his sons engaged in the clothing, furnishings and shoe trade at 250 East Main street. This business is now incorporated under the name of The Geiger Brothers Company, of which A. H. Geiger is president; Mrs. Max Geiger, vice president; Sydney L. Geiger, secretary; and H. J. Geiger, treasurer. In 1902, nine years after he came to Alliance, Max Geiger engaged in the real estate business and during the last twenty-four years of his life was one of the most prominent realtors in Alliance, devoting the greater part of his time during his later years to that line of business, in which he attained outstanding success, due to his progressive and enterprising methods. It was he who started the easy-payment plan for the buying of homes and to him was given full credit for popularizing this system, which has since been adopted by virtually every realtor in this locality. He built over two thousand two hundred dwellings in Alliance, enabling many to acquire homes who under former methods would have been unable to do so, and thus he performed a distinctive and appreciated service to the entire community. Mr. Geiger served as a member of the city council, being named president pro tem for one term; served one term as president of the Board of Trade; was a member of the Alliance Real Estate Board, of which he was a past president, and was a director of the Chamber of Commerce. For over forty years he was a member of the Masonic order, having been a member of Riddle Lodge at East Liverpool and later a charter member of J. E. McFadden Lodge of Alliance, was a charter member of Alliance Council of Royal and Select Masters, belonged also to the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and was a member of the board of trustees of the Masonic Temple Company. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Daughters of Rebekah, of which he was a charter member, and belonged to the Alliance Country Club and the Kiwanis Club. He was a son of Samuel and Katherine (Devay) Geiger, of whom the former was a native of Austria-Hungary and died in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He had been an extensive landowner in Europe and retired on locating in Pittsburgh. His wife, who also was a native of Europe, died in Tuscarawas county, Ohio. Leah (Lerner) Geiger was born and reared in Cleveland, Ohio, and resides in Alliance.

Sydney L. Geiger graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Mount Union College, after which he entered the law school of Western Reserve university, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1911. In that year he was admitted to the bar and practiced his profession for one year in Canton. Returning to Alliance, he formed a partnership with Arthur W. Morris, under the firm name of Morris & Geiger, which continued until 1919, since which time Mr. Geiger has practiced alone. A man of alert and vigorous mentality, possessing keen powers of discriminating analysis, giving careful and painstaking attention to the preparation of his cases and a sound and dependable office counselor, he is recognized as a lawyer of solid and substantial qualities, well worthy of the confidence of his fellow-men. Mr. Geiger is secretary and treasurer of the Alliance Finance Company, secretary of the Alliance Acceptance Corporation, secretary and treasurer of the Salisbury Transportation Company, president of the Prospect Motors Company, Inc., secretary and treasurer of the Copley Motors Company, secretary of the Geiger Brothers Company, president of the Geiger Realty Company and secretary of the Morrison Jack Company.

On September 16, 1913, in Youngstown, Ohio, Mr. Geiger was united in marriage to Miss Rose Friedman, who was born in that city, December 6, 1890, and is a daughter of I. and Catherine (Greenwald) Friedman, both of whom were born in Europe. Mr. Friedman died in Youngstown and his widow still resides in that city. Mrs. Geiger was educated in the public schools of Youngstown and is a member of the Rodef Sholem congregation of that city. She belongs to the Alliance Women's Club and the Mount Union College Women's Club. She organized and served as chairman of the Garden Club of Alliance; is a member of the board of directors of the Young Women's Christian Association; and was the first secretary of the Alliance Chapter of the American Red Cross, in which she served actively throughout the World war.

Mr. Geiger is a member of the Alliance Bar Association, the Stark County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. He gives his political support to the republican party and has always shown a keen interest in public affairs, having served as deputy clerk in charge of elections in Alliance. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club and the Alliance Country Club, a member of the advisory board of the Salvation

Army and a member of the executive committee of the Red Cross. During the World war he served on the legal advisory board and was an effective Four Minute speaker. Fraternally he is a member of J. E. McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M., of which he is a past master; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; and Nazir Grotto, at Canton. His religious connection is with Rodef Sholem congregation at Youngstown. Distinctively a man of action, he has long filled a conspicuous place in the public life of his city, and as a leader in important business enterprises and a strong and capable lawyer, as well as a leader in civic affairs, he holds an enviable place in the confidence and respect of the people of his community, while among his friends and associates he is extremely popular.

WILLIAM G. SAXTON

One of the ablest and most prominent members of the banking circles of Stark county is William Goodman Saxton, who has been connected with the First National Bank of Canton for forty-four years, during the last twenty-eight years of which period he has been vice president and cashier. A man of keen and discriminating judgment, an expert in financial matters and of sterling integrity, he has long been active and influential in local affairs and commands the uniform confidence and respect of the people of Canton and Stark county. Born in this city, on the 7th of June, 1867, he is a son of Joseph Simmons and Harriet Anne (Danner) Saxton, both of whom were natives of Canton, the father born October 7, 1829, and the mother July 15, 1830. The paternal great-great-grandfather, George Saxton, who was of English descent, served in Captain John Reese's Company in the American Revolution from January 1 to November 25, 1776. He married Sarah Harlan and among their children was James Saxton, who married Hannah Ashbaugh. They became the parents of John Saxton, whose wife, Margaret Laird, was a daughter of Jacob Laird, who served as a first lieutenant in the American Revolution. Jacob Laird married Jane Johnston, a daughter of Thomas Johnston, who served in the Revolutionary war as a first lieutenant and later as captain. John

and Margaret Saxton were the parents of Joseph Simmons Saxton, father of William G.

William G. Saxton received a good public school education, and after leaving the Canton high school, at the age of seventeen years, he entered the employ of the First National Bank as a messenger, beginning on a salary of seventy-five dollars a year. Faithful and efficient service won promotions and he has filled every position in the bank except that of president. During the years of his identification with this well known institution he has devoted himself tirelessly to its interests and has been a real factor in its splendid growth and prosperity.

On June 23, 1902, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Saxton was united in marriage to Miss Rose G. McNally, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of the late Andrew and Margaret McNally. To them have been born four children, three of whom are living, namely: Marjorie, Joseph W. and Rosemary. Mrs. Saxton is a charter member of the Canton Women's Club and is very active in associated charities, Children's Bureau and other welfare work. Mr. Saxton is a republican in his political views and was reared in the faith of the Presbyterian church. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Canton Club, the Brookside Country Club and the Rotary Club. During the World war he took an active and effective part in the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and has always evinced a deep interest in everything relating to the progress and prosperity of his city or county. He is a director of the First Trust and Savings Bank and of the Morris Plan Bank. He is recognized as a splendid citizen, loyal and public-spirited, and is greatly esteemed.

EDWARD E. GRIFFITH

Edward E. Griffith, of Massillon, a competent and reliable funeral director, has earned a prominent place among the enterprising business men of his community, being the owner of a modern undertaking establishment. He was born here in 1898 and is a son of D. D. and Mary (Sutton) Griffith. He received a good education in the public and high schools of his home city. Being ambitious for an independent career, he entered the Cincinnati College

of Embalming, from which he was graduated in 1924. In September of the following year he established a business in Massillon and has met with a very gratifying measure of success, commanding his full share of the local patronage in his line. He has a well equipped funeral parlor, is courteous and painstaking in his attention to the needs and comforts of those who employ him, and is commended for the thoroughness with which he performs his duties in this most exacting profession.

On April 30, 1921, Mr. Griffith was united in marriage to Miss Helen McDaniel, of Bridgeport, Ohio, and they are the parents of a daughter, Phyllis Jean. Mrs. Griffith is a graduate of the Hiller College of Embalming, at Canton, and is a valuable assistant to her husband in his business. The republican party receives Mr. Griffith's support and he has shown a helpful interest in things affecting the welfare of the community. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Reformed church. A man of pleasing personality, straightforward manner and clean life, he is well worthy of the high place which he holds in the esteem of the people among whom he has lived.

WALLACE E. PALMER

Wallace E. Palmer is numbered among the leading business men of Canton, being the owner of the Palmer furniture store, at 401 Market avenue south, the oldest furniture house in Stark county, in the management of which he has met with splendid success. Mr. Palmer was born at Valley Falls, Jefferson county, Kansas, on the 8th of September, 1872, and is a son of Wesley S. and Phoebe (Hull) Palmer. His father was born near McDonaldsville, Stark county, Ohio, in 1846, and was a son of Peter J. and Caroline (Troupe) Palmer. Peter J. Palmer, who was of English and Scotch descent, was a native of Maryland, and one of his ancestors served in the American Revolution. The Troupe family has long been established in Stark county, having been among the first settlers of Canton, and operated the first hotel of this city. Wesley S. Palmer was reared and educated in Stark county and in the early '70s he and his wife went to Kansas, locating in Jefferson

county. However, they went there at an unpropitious time, as that was one of the years of the grasshopper plague, when everything in the way of vegetation was destroyed, and Mr. Palmer returned to Ohio, locating in Canton. He later went to Jackson and Lansing, Michigan, where he engaged in the manufacture of windmills, being the first man in the United States to make steel windmills. Subsequently he disposed of his manufacturing interests in that state and returned to Canton, where he established a small furniture business. He prospered in this enterprise and carried it on until his death, when it was taken over by his son. He died in 1903, at the age of fifty-eight years. At the age of eighteen years, on February 23, 1865, at Alliance, Ohio, he enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Ninety-first Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, from which he was honorably discharged August 27, 1865, by Captain Oliver, at Winchester, Pennsylvania. He was a republican in his political views and was an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born in Newark, Licking county, Ohio, and was a member of an old Ohio family of Scotch descent. To Mr. and Mrs. Palmer were born two sons and two daughters: Wallace E.; Edith; Minnie, the wife of H. W. Seaman, of Cleveland; and Harry P., deceased. The mother died in Canton December 18, 1921, at the age of seventy-seven years. Harry P. Palmer was married in 1910 to Miss Blanche Hall.

Wallace E. Palmer received his educational training in the public schools of Michigan and the Canton Business College. When sixteen years of age he started to work for his father and on the latter's death took over the business, which he has successfully carried on to the present time. He carries a large and complete line of furniture, carpets, rugs, stoves and kindred lines, and by his judicious management and sound business methods has built up a prosperous business. He is also a director of the Yellow Cab Company, of Canton.

On August 22, 1905, in New York city, Mr. Palmer was united in marriage to Miss Martha Kate Freer, who was born in Kingston, New York, and is a daughter of Ira and Kate (Walsey) Freer, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer are the parents of two children, Willard Freer, born June 9, 1906, and Kathleen Louise, born May 17, 1914. Mr. Palmer is a republican in his political alignment and is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Al

Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland; the Grotto, the Masonic Club and the Lakeside Shrine Club. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton. He is a man of earnest purpose and upright life, who has always endeavored to fulfill all the obligations of citizenship, and whose sterling personal qualities have gained for him a high place in the estimation of all who know him.

CLAUDE BURDGE ALEXANDER

Among those whose individual efforts are contributing to the development of the industrial interests of Alliance stands Claude B. Alexander, assistant auditor for the American Steel Foundries Company. He has been with this well known concern for many years and is well equipped for the responsible position which he holds. Mr. Alexander was born in Brimfield, Ohio, March 5, 1892, and is a son of John Thomas and Ida (Burdge) Alexander. His father, who was born in Pennsylvania, August 23, 1873, is now living in Dublin, Georgia, where he is engaged in the lumber business. He is a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His parents were David and Margaret (Turner) Alexander, the former born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and the latter in Pennsylvania, and both died at Mantua, Ohio. David Alexander was the owner of a basket factory, and was a veteran of the Civil war, having served throughout that conflict as a member of the Eighteenth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was a republican in politics and served at one time as constable. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Ida (Burdge) Alexander was born in Tyrone, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1872, and is a daughter of Robert Wilson and Sallie (Shirk) Burdge, of whom the former was born in Ohio and died in Alliance, while the latter was born in Shirkville, Pennsylvania, and died in Brimfield, Ohio. Mr. Burdge devoted his life to farming, but retired some time prior to his death. He supported the republican party and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

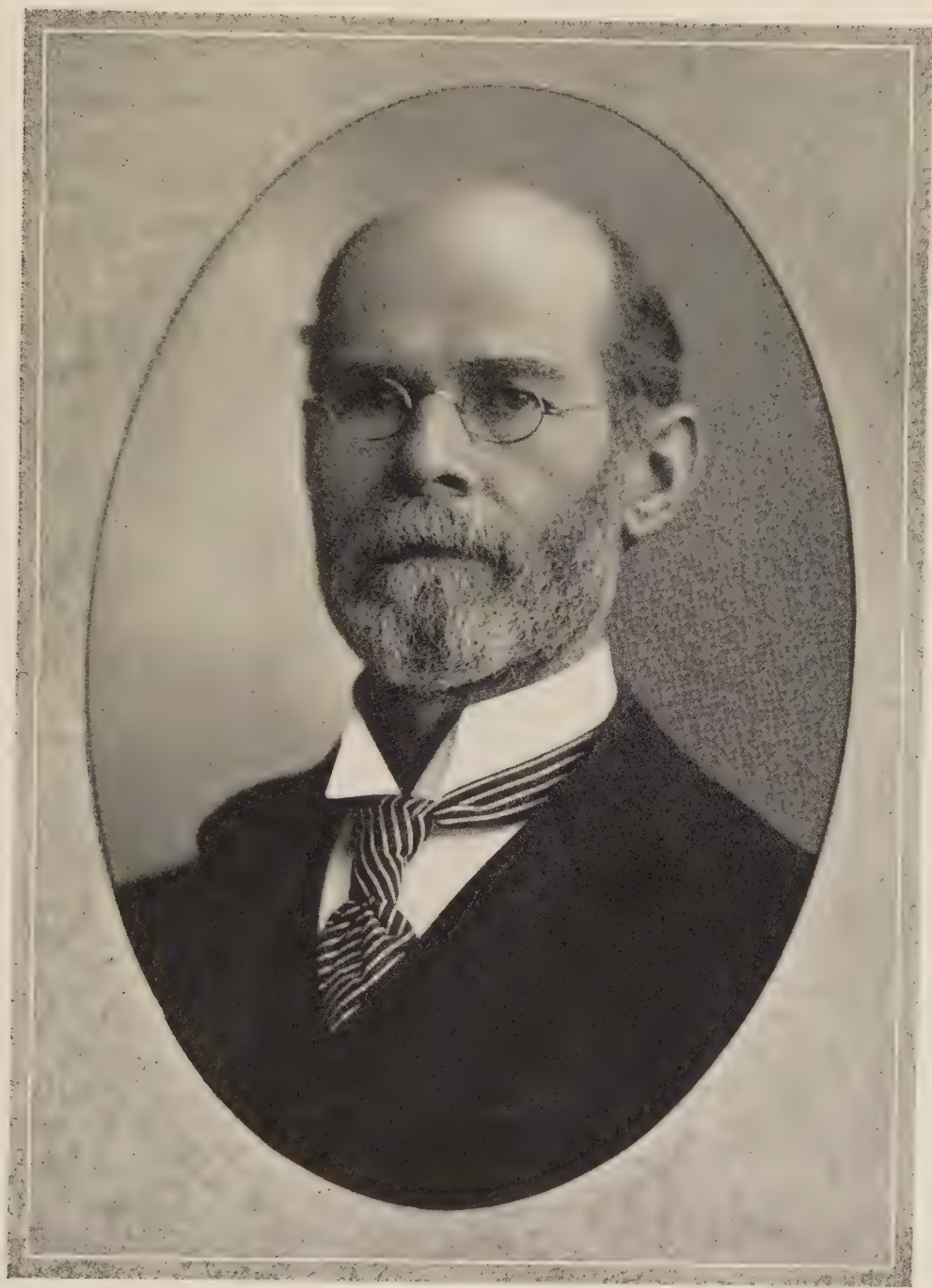
Claude B. Alexander graduated from the Alliance high school in 1911 and then entered the employ of the American Steel Foundries Company, with which corporation he has been connected con-

tinuously since. He has received several promotions during this period and now, as assistant auditor, is performing capable and efficient service for his company.

On October 18, 1916, in Alliance, Mr. Alexander was united in marriage to Miss Emma Maude Anderson, who was born in this city February 29, 1892, and is a daughter of David Edward and Lavina (Reichard) Anderson. Mr. Anderson, who was born in Lisbon, Ohio, and now lives in Alliance, has served for the past forty years as a passenger conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He is a republican in politics and belongs to the Presbyterian church. His wife, who was born in Canton, Ohio, died in Alliance, September 23, 1924. Mrs. Alexander graduated from the Alliance high school in 1911 and is an active member of the Presbyterian church and its societies. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander are the parents of two sons, Donald Edward, born February 11, 1920, and Richard Burdge, born October 10, 1923. The republican party receives Mr. Alexander's support, while his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T.; and Tadmor Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Akron. He is a devotee of outdoor sports, has refereed in basketball and football and umpired in baseball for many years, and is an extremely popular member of the circles in which he moves, while his sterling qualities of character and his courteous manner have gained for him the respect of all who know him.

EDMUND D. SELL

A master craftsman, Edmund D. Sell made valuable contribution to the world's work and Canton was honored by his citizenship. He was born in Franklin, Ohio, and his parents, Andrew and Magdalen Sell, were natives of Alsace-Lorraine and of German lineage. They were early settlers of Franklin, Ohio, and it was there that Edmund D. Sell was reared and educated. As a youth he served an apprenticeship to a cabinetmaker and afterward followed his trade in Canton, where he came in the early '60s, leaving examples of his skill in the doors and the carved



EDMUND D. SELL

mantels of many of the city's fine homes. His first employer in Canton was John Poiser and later he was connected with the Cleveland Furniture Company, for which he made bedroom and dining room sets. Mr. Sell remained with the firm until their establishment was destroyed by fire and on his return to Canton became a draftsman for John Danner, also making revolving stools and bookcases of all kinds. An acknowledged artist in his line of work, Mr. Sell also had the ability to direct the labors of others and was made assistant superintendent of the Danner factory, rendering to the firm thirty-two years of faithful, efficient service.

In Cleveland, Ohio, in April, 1875, Mr. Sell married Miss Ida J. McDonald and two children were born to them: William C., a real estate man of Cleveland, who wedded Miss Gertrude Schatzinger and has become the father of a son, Paul Edmund; and Ella F., a teacher in the local schools. In politics Mr. Sell was a very strong prohibitionist and his religious views were in harmony with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic church, of which he was a devout member. He came to Canton when it had a population of a few thousand and lived to see it become a prosperous, enterprising city. An ardent champion of prohibition, he closely followed the principles which he advocated and was a tireless worker, retiring only at the approach of his death. Genuine, sincere and high-minded, Mr. Sell won and retained a secure place in the esteem of all with whom he was associated and extracted from life the real essence of living, and at his death, which occurred October 16, 1908, when he was sixty-two years of age, he left to his family the priceless heritage of an honored name. His widow has remained a resident of Canton, occupying the home at No. 628 McKinley avenue, northwest, where she has lived over fifty years, and her admirable character has drawn to her a wide circle of steadfast friends.

EDGAR A. BOWMAN

Edgar A. Bowman, president of the Columbia Fire Brick Company of Canton, is one of this city's most progressive and successful business men, being identified with a number of its leading financial institutions, and his interests have also been extended to

those things which are calculated to promote the civic and moral welfare of the community.

Mr. Bowman was born in Lisbon, Columbiana county, Ohio, March 2, 1862, a son of Joshua and Lovina Bowman. He is the scion of old German stock, the progenitor of the family in this country having been David Bowman, a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, who emigrated to America in 1755. His son, Philip Casper Bowman, was born on the ocean, October 25, 1755, while the family was en route to this country, and his wife Elizabeth was born in Alsace, France. Philip Casper Bowman was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, the bureau of pensions, department of the interior, bearing his record, "Philip Casper Bowman, O. W. & N. Div. T. S. C. T. 2091 Rev. War." He volunteered in Frederick county, Maryland, in June, 1776, and served over two years, attaining the rank of ensign and being under the command of Captain Peter Mantz and Colonel Shryack. He participated in the battles of Trenton and Princeton and was honorably discharged at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in August, 1778. His residence during the war was at Fredericktown, Maryland. He was the father of John J. Bowman, who was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1779, and died at Lisbon, Ohio, September 9, 1864, having migrated to this state in 1806. He was a farmer and surveyor and a man of strong character and marked ability. A stanch supporter of the whig party, he was elected a member of the board of county commissioners in 1809, serving seven years, and in 1840 became a member of the lower house of the state legislature. Prior to coming to this state he had served two years as judge of the third judicial circuit of Pennsylvania. He married Miss Charlotte Stough. Her father, the Rev. John Stough, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, January 25, 1762, and became a minister of the Lutheran church, tradition stating that he was the first Lutheran preacher to cross the Allegheny mountains. His first appearance as a missionary in Ohio was in the spring of 1803 in Mahoning county, where he ministered to the spiritual needs of the pioneers. Joshua Bowman, son of John J. and Charlotte Bowman, was born in Lisbon, Ohio, June 20, 1820, and died May 20, 1893, while his wife, who was born October 23, 1822, died January 9, 1899, at the age of seventy-six years. They were the parents of six children, of whom three are living: Samuel S.; Margaret, the wife

of John W. Taylor, of Cleveland, Ohio; and Edgar A., who is the youngest of the family.

Edgar A. Bowman attended the public schools of his home neighborhood and remained on his father's farm until twenty-three years of age. In 1903 he was one of the organizers of the Columbia Fire Brick Company, of which he has been a director continuously since, and has been its president since 1922. Under his wise management the business has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth and is now one of Stark county's notable industries. The plant is located at Strasburg, Tuscarawas county, and has a capacity of fifty thousand bricks daily, being modern and up-to-date in its equipment and producing a superior quality of brick. From eighty-five to one hundred persons are employed, and the company's products are sold from the Atlantic seaboard to the Mississippi river, embracing the entire central west. Mr. Bowman has been successful in his material affairs and is a director of the First National Bank of Canton, the First Trust and Savings Bank from the time of its organization, the Morris Plan Bank, and the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company for the past eight years. A man of farsighted vision and clear-headed judgment, his opinions in practical matters are highly regarded by his business associates.

On May 28, 1890, in Canton, Mr. Bowman was united in marriage to Miss Fannie M. Harding, who was born in Niagara county, New York, and is a daughter of Adam and Anna (Pletcher) Harding. Her father was originally from Pennsylvania, while the Pletcher family was early established in Niagara county, New York. Mrs. Bowman takes an active interest in the religious, civic and social life of the community and is a member of the Canton Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman have one daughter, Ruth.

Politically, Mr. Bowman is a stanch republican, and he is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; the Canton Club, the Brookside Country Club and the Congress Lake Club. He is also a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of which he has been a trustee for twenty years and president of the board for the past ten years. He has been a director of the Young Men's Christian Association for the past twenty years and served as president of the board from 1914 to 1925. Though his business affairs make a heavy demand on his time, he

has never neglected his obligations to the community and always stands ready to cooperate in all movements for the advancement of the best interests of city or county. A man of strong character and positive views, he stands "four square to every wind that blows" and is regarded as one of Canton's most substantial and influential citizens.

CHARLES O. HEGGEM

No resident of Massillon is more deserving of public esteem than Charles O. Heggem, who, after a long and honorable career in the manufacturing business, is now living retired, enjoying well earned leisure. Mr. Heggem was born at Bergen, Norway, on the 29th of November, 1851, and is the first in order of birth of the ten children of O. A. and Joanna (Mucklebust) Heggem, the former born in 1830 and the latter in 1827. They brought their family to the United States in 1868, locating in Chicago, Illinois, where the father followed the trade of pattern-making for many years. He and his wife spent their remaining days in that city, he dying in 1903 and his wife in 1910.

Charles O. Heggem attended the public schools of his native city to the age of sixteen years, when he took up the study of mechanical engineering. On his arrival in Chicago, he secured a clerical position in a machine shop, which he held until 1870, when he went to Salem, Columbiana county, Ohio, and for thirteen years was employed by the Buckeye Engine Company. In 1883 he came to Massillon as foreman in the engineering department of Russell & Company, the pioneer manufacturing concern of this city. Subsequently he was made assistant superintendent, and then general superintendent. He acquired the ownership of thirty-five per cent of the stock of the company, and was made vice president, in which capacity he served until the company ceased active operation in 1924. During the forty-one years in which he was identified with this business he devoted his efforts to its interests and was an important factor in the splendid success achieved, gaining a high reputation for both technical knowledge and executive ability. In addition to his holdings in that company, he is vice president and director of the First Savings and Loan Company, a million dollar

corporation, president of the Massillon Cemetery Association, a director of the Massillon Bridge & Structural Company, of Massillon, and one of the organizers and largely interested in the Griscom-Russell Company.

On October 10, 1872, Mr. Heggem was united in marriage to Miss Elise R. Boe, who was born at Stavanger, Norway, and they have three children: Oscar Eugene, born in 1873, married Miss Elizabeth Davidson and died in 1905, leaving two children, Charles O., Jr., and Frankie Elise, the last named later becoming the wife of John Winkel and mother of a daughter, Helen May; Alfred George, born in 1875, graduated in engineering from Cornell University, and is now engaged in the oil and manufacturing business in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Chalmer Raymond, born in 1882, graduated in law from Cornell University and is now practicing at Massillon. He married Miss Arline L. Snyder.

Mr. Heggem has always given his political support to the republican party. He is a life member of the Masonic order in all of its branches, has belonged to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers since 1889 and belongs to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at Washington, D. C. A man of sterling character and unquestioned integrity, he has long been regarded as one of Massillon's representative citizens, commanding the unqualified confidence and respect of his fellowmen, and is held in affectionate regard by those close to him.

THOMAS BURD

In the financial circles of Massillon a due share of credit is given to Thomas Burd for the substantial growth in recent years of the Massillon Savings and Loan Company, of which he is secretary, for he has devoted his efforts tirelessly to its interests and has proven an able and judicious business man. Mr. Burd was born in Massillon, on the 28th of April, 1876, and is a son of Sylvester and Louisa (Ress) Burd, of whom the former was the pioneer real estate man of this city and one of its most highly respected citizens.

Thomas Burd received his educational training in the public and high schools, after which he took a commercial course in a business college. His first position was that of stenographer in a

law office, and later he was employed in a similar capacity with the Massillon Bridge Company. He clerked in a grocery store for two years and for a while was with James R. Dunn. He served as secretary of the Jarvis Estates Company and then went to Porto Rico, where he was with the American Colonial Bank of San Juan for three months. On his return to Massillon he became associated with his father, with whom he continued for three years, after which for twenty-two years he was with the Merchants National Bank in various capacities, ranging from bookkeeper to assistant cashier. In July, 1925, Mr. Burd became secretary of the Massillon Savings and Loan Company and to his personal efforts is due much of the splendid growth of this institution.

On June 25, 1901, Mr. Burd was united in marriage to Miss Anna N. Fricker, of Massillon, and they are the parents of two children, Harry Sylvester, who married Miss Dorothy Kail, and Helen Louise, who is a student in Wooster College. Mr. Burd is an active supporter of the republican party, is a member of the Rotary Club, and his religious connection is with the First Christian church. True and loyal to every interest with which he has been identified and capable and dependable in the performance of duty, he has won and retains to a marked degree the confidence of his fellowmen and is held in high regard by everyone who knows him.

CHARLES H. SCHLABACH

Charles H. Schlabach, general manager of the Hygienic Products Company, of Canton, has had many years of practical business experience and enjoys a well earned reputation as an enterprising and progressive man, of sound and dependable judgment. Born in Canton, Ohio, on the 26th of December, 1867, he is a son of William F. and Anna E. (Heingartner) Schlabach. His paternal grandparents were Isaac and Elizabeth (Smith) Schlabach, the former a native of Pennsylvania and of German descent. In 1830 he migrated to Ohio, settling three miles north of Canton, where he followed farming the greater part of his life. Eventually he retired and moved into Canton, where he lived until his death. William F. Schlabach was born in North Canton, September 14, 1837,

and was reared and educated in this county. He learned the machinist trade, which he followed for a number of years, and also farmed. During the Civil war he enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Fifteenth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served three years. After the war he returned to Canton and resumed work at his trade. He was a republican in politics, was a member of the Reformed church and commanded the respect of all who knew him. His wife was born in Berlin, Germany, and was a daughter of Philip Heingartner, who brought his family to Canton, Ohio, when his daughter was about nine years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. Schlabach were born one son and three daughters, of whom one daughter is deceased.

Charles H. Schlabach, who is the eldest of the children, attended the public schools of Canton to the age of fifteen years, when he started out to earn his own living. His first job was that of office boy for the Canton Paper Company, after which he was employed as a bookkeeper in several manufacturing plants in Canton for about eight years. He then became secretary and treasurer of the Canton Steel Roofing Company, which position he held for three years, leaving that place to accept a similar relation with the Diebold Safe & Lock Company, with which he remained for six years. He then became cashier of the Canton Savings & Trust Company, the duties of which position he discharged very acceptably for six years, and during the past twenty years has served as general manager of the Hygienic Products Company. Under his direction this concern has made rapid progress and is now the leader in its line in Stark county. Mr. Schlabach is also a director of the Dime Savings Bank of Canton.

On September 14, 1892, in Canton, Mr. Schlabach was united in marriage to Miss Katharine Shanafelt, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of W. B. and Frances (Dittenhafer) Shanafelt, both of whom are representatives of old and prominent families of this locality. Mrs. Schlabach is a member of the Canton Women's Club and has taken a deep interest in the civic and club affairs of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Schlabach are the parents of two children, Raymond M., of Canton, who married Miss Marion Dysle, and they have a son, Charles William, born in 1923; and Isabel Katharine, who is the wife of W. P. F. Brawner, of San Francisco, California. The republican party receives Mr. Schlabach's support and ever since attaining manhood he has taken a

deep interest in public affairs. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.; the Brookside Country Club, the Canton Club, the Congress Lake Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife belong to the First Methodist Episcopal church and give their earnest support to all worthy causes. Mr. Schlabach has led a busy and industrious life from boyhood and the success which has come to him has been gained through the common qualities of persistent effort along right lines and backed by honorable methods, while his career as a private citizen has been such as has commended him to the favorable opinion of his fellowmen.

FRANK A. CARTER

Frank A. Carter, sales manager and a director of the Alliance Machine Company, has had long experience in the steel business and in his present capacity is rendering valuable service to his company. Born in Deerfield, Portage county, Ohio, on the 25th of December, 1863, he is a son of Harrison W. and Jane L. (Davis) Carter. His family has long been resident in Ohio, his paternal grandparents, Charles and Jane S. (McCormick) Carter, being natives of this state, the latter born in Summit county. They are both deceased, Mr. Carter dying in Green, Trumbull county, and his wife in Ravenna. Mr. Carter was a circuit rider and was well and favorably known throughout this section of the state. Their son, Harrison W. Carter, was born at North Benton, Ohio, in 1837, and died in Alliance, in 1922. In early life he followed agricultural pursuits, but later came to Alliance and became a passenger conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad, running from Beaver Falls to Pittsburgh, but lived retired for some time prior to his death. During the Civil war he was a member of the famous "Squirrel Hunters" who answered the Governor's call for volunteers and went to Cincinnati to defend that city against the expected raid of Morgan's Confederate cavalry. Later he did effective work in training soldiers for service. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the Baptist church. His wife was born at Yale, Portage county, Ohio, and died in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1921. She was a daughter of William and Jane Davis, the former

born in England or Wales and the latter at Cardiganshire, Wales, and both died at Yale, Ohio, where Mr. Davis had been engaged in farming.

Frank A. Carter secured his educational training in the public schools of Alliance and then became an apprentice machinist in the shops of the Morgan Engineering Company. Later he became a salesman for that concern and made two trips to Europe, visiting various countries in the interest of his company. After being with that organization for twenty-three years, Mr. Carter resigned and became associated with the Alliance Machine Company as sales manager, in which position he is still serving, being also a director of the company. He is also a director of the Alliance Structural Company and the Machine Steel Casting Company of Alliance.

Mr. Carter has been married twice, first, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Louise Yennie, who was born in Switzerland, and was a daughter of Mrs. Susan (Kauffman) Yennie Eggert, who is still living, at the age of ninety-one years. Mrs. Carter died in Alliance, in 1908, leaving three children. Harry W., born January 28, 1894, graduated from the Alliance high school, attended Mt. Union College one year and the Case School of Applied Sciences two years. His studies were interrupted at the entrance of the United States into the World war, when he enlisted in the air service, becoming a scout pilot, and was sent overseas just prior to the signing of the Armistice, being honorably discharged in New York city. He is now associated with the Alliance Machine Company as a salesman. He married Miss Mary Holmes, of Salineville, Ohio. Helen I., born November 27, 1896, graduated from the Alliance high school and graduated in nursing from St. Luke's Hospital, of Cleveland. She is now the wife of Victor Hughes, of Canton, who is connected with the Canton Respository, and they have a son, William D. Mary S., born in Brussels, Belgium, in April, 1901, graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Sargent's School of Physical Culture. She is now the wife of Wayne King, formerly of Alliance, but now of Baltimore, Maryland, where he is a traveling salesman for the William Tyler Company, of Cleveland. In July, 1916, in Warren, Ohio, Mr. Carter married Miss Laura Evans, who was born in Akron, Ohio, December 10, 1888, and is a daughter of William R. and Effa (Whitacer) Evans. Her father, who was born at Thomastown, near Akron, is now living in Warren, where he is employed as a machinist. He formerly operated a

machine shop in that city. He is a republican and he and his wife are members of the Christian church. Mrs. Carter graduated from the Warren high school and attended Mt. Union College, after which she taught in the public schools of Alliance prior to her marriage. She is a member of the Christian church and belongs to the Mt. Union College Women's Club, the Tennysonian Club of Alliance and the Mu Phi Epsilon sorority. She has been active in Young Women's Christian Association work and during the war was greatly interested in Red Cross work. In his political views Mr. Carter has always been an ardent republican but is inclined to be independent in his voting, particularly in local elections. He is a member of the Commercial Travelers Association and the Alliance Country Club. He has led a busy and useful life, during which he has retained the confidence and respect of all who have been associated with him, and is regarded as one of the substantial and dependable citizens of his community, in the welfare and prosperity of which he has been greatly interested.

RAY F. WHITELEATHER

Ray F. Whiteleather, general manager of the Towell Cadillac Company, at Canton, has had extensive experience in practically all departments of the automobile business and stands high in the estimation of all who have been associated with him. Since coming to Canton in his present capacity he has made an enviable record and is regarded as one of the leaders in the motor trade in this locality. Mr. Whiteleather was born at Moultrie, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 15th of November, 1890, and is a son of Dr. T. N. B. and Minnie B. (Weaver) Whiteleather. The family is of German origin and was established in this country during the Revolutionary war by a Hessian soldier employed by the British government, who deserted to the American army and after the close of the war settled in Pennsylvania. T. N. B. Whiteleather was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, where he was reared and secured his elementary education in the public schools. He matriculated in the Ohio Medical College, at Columbus, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He engaged in the practice of his profession at Malvern, Ohio,



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and continued there up to the time of his death, which occurred in 1907. He is survived by his widow, who now resides in Canton. She was born in Lisbon, Ohio, and is a daughter of T. O. Weaver, who operated a saw and grist mill at Lisbon, in which community the family had long resided. To Dr. and Mrs. Whiteleather were born three children: Dora, deceased; Pearl, who is the wife of John H. Parker, of Chicago, Illinois, and Ray F.

In the public schools Ray F. Whiteleather secured his early education, continuing his studies at Mt. Union College, in Alliance, after which he taught school one year in Portage county, Ohio. He then turned his attention to the automobile business, entering the employ of the A. H. Wilson Motor Company, at Canton, as an accessory salesman. In 1912 he entered the employ of the Winton Motor Car Company at Cleveland, being first made an inspector, while later he worked in the various departments having to do with the manufacture and construction of automobiles, through which he gained valuable knowledge of the technical side of the business. The Winton Company then transferred him to the retail sales department, in which, by faithful and efficient service, he was successively promoted until he became general sales manager. He continued with that company until August, 1921, when he joined the sales force of the Towell Cadillac Company of Cleveland, and while there made a record in the sales of Cadillac cars. In August, 1923, the Towell Cadillac Company transferred him to Canton as general manager of the branch here, and he is still acting in that capacity. During the World war Mr. Whiteleather served the government as final inspector of Liberty motors, being stationed at Cleveland.

On June 22, 1913, at Canton, Mr. Whiteleather was united in marriage to Miss Leona L. Pyres, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (Patterson) Pyres, both of whom are members of old and prominent families of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Whiteleather have three children: Betty, Marvel and Molly Jane. In his political affiliation Mr. Whiteleather is a republican, while fraternally he is a member of Woodward Lodge, No. 508, F. & A. M., and McKinley Chapter, R. A. M., of Cleveland; also of Canton Lodge, No. 508, B. P. O. E. He belongs to the Congress Lake Club, the Canton Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Ohio Automobile Dealers Association and the National Automobile Dealers Association. In the best sense of the

term. Mr. Whiteleather is a self-made man, his successful career being achieved solely through his persistent and intelligent efforts along right lines, and his business record has won for him the confidence and respect of all who have had dealings with him. Cordial and affable in manner, his social relations are of the most pleasant and he is deservedly popular wherever known.

CHARLES M. BALL

One of Canton's best known and most popular citizens is Charles M. Ball, who has made an honorable record here as a lawyer and has won prominence in public affairs, while his private life has measured up to the full stature of American citizenship. Mr. Ball was born in Canton, August 24, 1871, a son of Plimpton and Elizabeth (Shanafelt) Ball. The family is of English origin and was established in Maryland at a very early day. Mr. Ball's grandparents, William and Mary (Lewis) Ball, were pioneer settlers of Medina county, Ohio, where he followed farming throughout his remaining days. Plimpton Ball was born in Stark county, in 1838, received a public school education, and devoted his active life to mercantile pursuits, in which he was successful. He was a stanch republican in politics and a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, in which his widow still holds membership. He died in 1909, at the age of seventy-one years. His wife was born in 1843 on a farm in Medina county, adjoining his birthplace, and is a daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Funk) Shanafelt, who were of German descent and were early settlers in Medina county. To Mr. and Mrs. Ball were born five children, of whom two are living, the first born being Elmer S., who is a merchant tailor in Canton, and Charles M., who is the fourth in order of birth.

Charles M. Ball was educated in the public schools of Canton and then entered the Cincinnati Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1893. He at once returned to Canton and engaged in the general practice of law, to which he has devoted his attention continuously since, though of recent years he has specialized in real estate law and abstracting, and he commands a large and lucrative practice. On November 1, 1927, Mr. Ball was appointed United States commis-

sioner for the district court of Ohio, for a term of four years, succeeding Julius Whiting, Jr.

On June 25, 1914, in Canton, Mr. Ball was united in marriage to Miss Louella Kidd, a daughter of E. R. and Mary (Crubaugh) Kidd, the former a representative of an old Missouri family, while the latter's family has long resided at Alliance, this county. Mr. and Mrs. Ball are the parents of two children: Katharine L., born June 24, 1915, and Robert E., born January 10, 1917. The family resides at 2622 Tuscarawas street west.

Mr. Ball is an active supporter of the republican party and has been prominent in municipal affairs, having served as a member of the city council from 1914 to 1918. He was then elected president of the council, over which body he presided until April 3, 1924, when he became mayor of the city to fill out the unexpired term of C. C. Curtis, and served until January 1, 1926. He has evinced a deep and constant interest in everything affecting the welfare and prosperity of his city and has long been regarded as one of its ablest and most dependable citizens. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Stark County Bar Association and during the World war rendered effective service as chairman of draft board No. 2, also giving active support to the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives.

CHESTER B. PITTENGER

Chester B. Pittenger is numbered among those whose business efforts are contributing in a very definite way to the upbuilding and development of Canton, and as president of the Realty Guaranty & Building Company is meeting with noteworthy success. Mr. Pittenger was born in Uhrichsville, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 8th of September, 1893, and is a son of Frank G. and Lottie (Buck) Pittenger. His father, who is of English descent and is a representative of an old Harrison county family, was born in Washington, D. C., where his father, William A. Pittenger, was for many years connected with the government printing office. Later he served in the Union Army during the Civil war as a member of the Ninety-eighth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and

afterwards filled various offices in the Grand Army of the Republic. He became a pioneer newspaper publisher in Tuscarawas county, where he had located shortly after the close of the war, and there resided until his death. Frank G. Pittenger received a good public school education and was long engaged in the real estate business in Dennison, Ohio, where he also served as postmaster until 1928. He is a republican in his political views and his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church. His wife, who was born in Uhrichsville, is of English ancestry and a member of one of the early families of Tuscarawas county. Mr. and Mrs. Pittenger had three children: Chester B.; Doris, who is the wife of R. M. Beckett; and W. A., all of Canton.

Chester B. Pittenger received a good, practical education in the public and high schools of Dennison and then entered the newspaper business, his first work being on his grandfather's paper, the Daily Paragraph, for which he received a wage of one dollar and a half a week. He followed that line in various places until 1914, when he came to Canton and was employed on the Daily News, later working on the Repository until 1918, when he resigned and engaged in the investment brokerage business. In the fall of 1924 he organized the Realty Guaranty & Building Company, of which he is president, specializing in building and selling homes. Starting on a comparatively modest scale, he has gradually enlarged his operations until today the company is the most important in its line in Canton. In this building business Mr. Pittenger is closely associated with H. C. Plattenburg. He is also president and principal stockholder of the Famous Dairy Company of Salem, Ohio.

On February 20, 1912, in Wheeling, West Virginia, Mr. Pittenger was united in marriage to Miss Marie J. Miller, who was born in Dennison, Ohio, and is a daughter of Frank and Jessie (Frazer) Miller. Mrs. Pittenger is a member of the Canton Women's Club and is secretary of the Akron District Golf Association. Mr. and Mrs. Pittenger are the parents of two children, William A., born February 27, 1915, and Joanne, born December 1, 1918. The republican party receives Mr. Pittenger's support and he has shown an interest in everything concerning the welfare of his city or county. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E., the Alliance Country Club and the Alliance Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife belong to the First Presbyterian church, to which they give generous support, as they also do to other worthy

causes. A man of energy, integrity and high purposes, he has accomplished much for the community in which he lives and because of his splendid record in both business and private life he commands the unequivocal confidence and esteem of the people among whom he lives.

WALTER S. RUFF

During the past eighteen years Walter S. Ruff has been engaged in the practice of law in Canton and during this period has risen steadily in the esteem of the people of Stark county, having gained a well earned reputation as a capable and trustworthy attorney, so that he commands a large and remunerative clientele. He was born in New Chambersburg, Columbiana county, Ohio, January 4, 1876, and is a son of Albert and Malinda (Summer) Ruff, both also natives of Columbiana county, the father born September 14, 1839, and the mother March 5, 1849. He is descended from sterling old Pennsylvania Dutch stock, his forebears having come from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in the early part of the nineteenth century and settled in Columbiana county, of which locality they were among the first pioneers.

Mr. Ruff attended the public schools, after which he studied for a few terms at Ohio Normal University at Ada, and he also attended summer school at Wooster College. For a number of years he taught school in Columbiana and Carroll counties and in 1899 came to Canton as principal of one of the public schools, teaching here until 1910. For a number of years previously he had devoted his spare time to the study of law and in 1904 was admitted to the bar, though he did not engage in the practice of his profession until relinquishing his school work in 1910. He quickly gained recognition in legal circles, in 1914 became city solicitor of Canton, serving four years, and in 1919 was elected prosecuting attorney of Stark county, in which position he served with ability and credit until 1923. He has been identified as counsel with many important cases in the courts of this county and has met with uniform success.

On November 23, 1898, in East Rochester, Ohio, Mr. Ruff was united in marriage to Miss Loretta Sanor, a daughter of Jacob and Margaret (Bushman) Sanor, the former a member of one of

the pioneer families of West township, Columbiana county. Mr. and Mrs. Ruff are the parents of a daughter, Beatrice, who is a graduate of the Cleveland Art School and is now teaching art in the Canton public schools.

Mr. Ruff gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a constant interest in public affairs, holding well defined opinions on questions of public policy. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a member also of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Brookside Country Club, the Canton Club and the Canton Exchange Club. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church and give their support to all worthy benevolent causes. A man of strong character and pleasing personality, Mr. Ruff has a wide circle of friends throughout Stark county and commands the uniform respect and confidence of all who know him.

ERNEST L. COBLE

One of the comparatively new industries of Alliance, but one which has gained wide recognition for the high quality of its products, is the Alliance Tank Company, of which the president is Ernest L. Coble, who was born in Cumberland county, Illinois, December 4, 1885, and is a son of William H. and Emma A. (Clabaugh) Coble. His paternal grandfather, Madison Coble, was born in North Carolina in 1817, and died in Greenup, Illinois, August 13, 1907. He was a farmer by occupation, was a republican in his political views and was a member of the United Brethren church. William H. Coble was born in Indiana, September 2, 1861, and is now living at Greenup, Illinois, where he is engaged in farming. He has been successful in his business affairs, is an extensive dealer in livestock, owns a sawmill and is a director in several banks. His wife was born in Illinois, April 4, 1865, and died at Greenup, January 6, 1899.

Ernest L. Coble attended the public schools of Greenup and took a business course with the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, studying business management, which embraced six courses. After leaving the public schools

he learned the trade of steel plate construction at Martinsville, Illinois, and in Texas, and in January, 1913, came to Alliance, Ohio, where he went to work for the Reeves Brothers Company, with which he remained until May 1, 1925. He then spent one year with the Morgan Engineering Company as superintendent of construction, and in 1926 organized the Alliance Tank Company, of which he is president and general manager. This company is engaged in making gasoline storage tanks, both for above ground and under ground, as well as miscellaneous steel plate work of all kinds. The plant is well equipped with machinery and tools and the business has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth.

Mr. Coble was married on December 23, 1906, to Miss Clara E. Glenn, who was born in Indiana, December 6, 1886, and died in Illinois, December 10, 1912, leaving a son, Tillus L., who was born January 6, 1908, was educated in the public schools of Alliance and is now associated with his father in business. On May 13, 1918, in Plainview, Texas, Mr. Coble was married to Miss Sallie Luvada Milner, who was born near Louisville, Kentucky, August 13, 1887, and is a daughter of Hartwell Artemus and Alice Luvada (Pennington) Milner. Her father, who was born in Breckinridge county, Kentucky, December 20, 1859, is a farmer and lives at Plainview, Texas. He is a democrat in politics and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born in Breckinridge county, Kentucky, April 9, 1862, and died in Hatton Gap, Arkansas, July 7, 1897. Mrs. Coble is well educated, having attended the public schools at McKinney, Texas, graduated from the high school at Blanket, Texas, and then took a course in the Massey Business College, at Houston, Texas. Later she took a teachers' training course in the National Business College at Fort Worth, Texas, after which she taught in that institution for four years, during the last two years of which time she was principal of the shorthand department. She is now associated with her husband in the Alliance Tank Company, of which she is a stockholder. She also took a teacher's course in Sunday school work at Fort Worth, Texas, and taught in the intermediate department of the Baptist Sunday school for four years, but is now affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church and teaches in its Sunday school. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. Coble gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a helpful interest in public affairs. He is an active member of the Baptist

church, of which he is a deacon and a member of the finance committee, and has also taught in the Sunday school. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M., and the Rotary Club. During the World war he took an active part in the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and in every respect has lived up to the highest ideals of citizenship. Because of this, as well as for his excellent character and his genial manner, he commands the friendship and good will of all who know him.

SAMUEL E. BARR

For thirteen years Samuel E. Barr has given to the people of Canton faithful and efficient service as city auditor, having been repeatedly reelected to the position for which he is so well qualified, and his official record is one of which he has just reason for pride. Mr. Barr was born in Mount Vernon, Knox county, Ohio, and is a son of Morgan and Lydia (McCrory) Barr. His paternal great-grandfather, a native of Ireland, was the progenitor of the family in this country, settling in Washington county, Pennsylvania. His son, Allan Barr, became a pioneer of Knox county, Ohio, where he took up two quarter sections of government land, on which he resided during the remainder of his life, having developed a good farm. On that farm Morgan Barr was born and reared, and he later became a tailor and merchant in Mount Vernon. He served two and a half years in the Civil war as a member of the Fourth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was a staunch republican in his political views and was a member of the Baptist church. His death occurred in 1888. His wife was a native of Wales, from which country she was brought to the United States in young girlhood, her parents settling in Mansfield, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Barr had two children, Anna, who is deceased, and Samuel E.

Samuel E. Barr attended the public schools at Mount Vernon and then entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, from which he received the Ph. G. degree in 1877. Returning to his home city, he engaged in the drug business, which he carried on for seven years, and then, selling his interests there, came to Canton, and established a drug store at what is now Third street and Market avenue south. He conducted that business twenty-two

years, eight months and fifteen days, when he sold out and engaged in the life insurance business, which he followed for a short time. In 1915 he became a candidate for the office of city auditor, for which office there were also six other candidates. He was elected by a majority of six hundred and fifty-three, and subsequent re-elections have been by increased majorities, being six thousand six hundred and twenty-six in November, 1927. The following brief statement of facts relating to his administration of the auditor's office speaks volumes as to his ability and sound judgment in handling the city affairs: From January 1, 1916, to January 1, 1924, he received and accounted for city money to the amount of \$25,-326,082.26, and no finding was ever made against him; on January 1, 1916, the city sinking fund had on hand investments of only \$2,500 to pay a debt of \$3,598,482, or one dollar for each \$1,482 of debt, whereas on January 1, 1924, the sinking fund investments and cash amounted to \$1,926,845 to pay a debt of \$8,416,647, or one dollar for each \$4.36 of debt; he has never missed making a payroll; at one time he borrowed twenty-two thousand dollars on his own note for two payrolls; at another time, forty public-spirited citizens placed sixty thousand dollars in his hands with which to pay city employees for three months when the city was out of money; he secured the adoption of the serial plan of issuing bonds three years before the state of Ohio adopted it. This plan saved the city one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars in interest alone on one issue of bonds.

Mr. Barr was married at Mount Vernon to Miss Phonie Sperry, who was born and reared in Knox county, and was a daughter of Isaac Sperry, one of the early settlers of that locality. Mrs. Barr died in 1911, and on January 29, 1913, in Canton, Mr. Barr was married to Miss Grace M. Poyser, a record of whose family is contained in the personal sketch of William J. Poyser, on other pages of this work. Mr. Barr gives his earnest support to the republican party and at all times has shown a deep interest in the progress and prosperity of his city and county. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., to which he has belonged since 1890; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council, No. 35, R. & S. M.; Canton Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, No. 148, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland; the Lakeside Shrine Club and the Masonic Club. He is a member of the First Baptist

church, of which he was treasurer for twenty-two years and in the work of which he has always been greatly interested. A man of unquestioned integrity and demonstrated ability, he also possesses a strong social nature, and throughout the community in which he lives enjoys the friendship and esteem of all who know him.

GUSTAVE EMIL NELSON

High in the ranks of the successful building contractors of Stark county stands Gustave E. Nelson, of Alliance, whose record speaks well for his technical ability, his sound business judgment and his honorable methods, so that he has justly merited the confidence and respect which are given him by those who know him.

Mr. Nelson was born in Sweden on the 13th of December, 1881, a son of Bengt and Anna (Peterson) Nelson. Both parents are also natives of Sweden. The father was born in 1852 and died in August, 1924, and the mother, who was born August 29, 1851, is still living in that country. She has relatives in East Liverpool and East Palestine, Ohio, and Pittsburgh and Uniontown, Pennsylvania. In the family were nine children, of whom Gustave E. is the only one to come to the United States. The others, four sons and four daughters, are Carl, Oscar, Bernard, Leonard Nelson, Selma, Hulda, Hilma and Ellen, of whom seven are married.

Gustave E. Nelson attended the public schools of his native land until fifteen years of age and later took a course in architecture in a night school, while during the daytime he worked at the carpenter's trade. When eighteen years old he was foreman of a gang of men in the building trade, and when twenty-one started in the building business for himself. When twenty-eight years of age he came to the United States, locating first in East Liverpool, Ohio, where he worked under a contractor for one and a half years, and then came to Alliance, being for about a year in the employ of John Miller, a building contractor. In 1914 he began contracting on his own account, establishing his first office in the Kryder block. Later he moved to the American Theater building, where he remained two years, and on the completion of the People's Bank building he moved to the second floor front of that building,



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where he has since been located, and is carrying on an extensive general contracting and building business. He received quite a setback during the World war, when, by government decree, building contractors were limited to one-thousand dollar jobs. By that ruling Mr. Nelson lost twenty-one thousand dollars and at the same time was obliged to pay big wages for the labor he was able to employ. However, since the war he has prospered, for his ability and methods have gained for him a large patronage among the representative people of the community, and he has erected many of the notable buildings of the city, among which are the homes of Bert Sebring, at Union avenue and Overlook drive, A. L. Atkinson, and others. He recently built an attractive and well arranged home for himself on Overlook drive, it being equipped with every modern convenience. He kept the house open for visitors for two days, during which time it is estimated that fifty thousand people visited the place, and Mr. Nelson was offered twenty thousand dollars for it. He gives his personal attention to the execution of his contracts and does his own drafting and estimating.

His political support is given the republican party, and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at East Liverpool, Ohio, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles at Alliance. He is a member of the Lutheran church and gives his earnest support to all worthy causes. He is a lover of outdoor life, hunting and fishing being his favorite diversions. A man of honest purpose and worthy actions, he has shown himself a loyal citizen of his adopted country and is regarded as a distinct asset to the community in which he lives.

MARION L. THURIN

The Thurin Carpet and Rug Company, of Canton, of which Marion L. Thurin is president and the principal owner, is the largest concern in its line in Stark county and represents the results of the determined and persistent efforts of Mr. Thurin, who enjoys a wide reputation as a capable and successful business man. He was born in Louisville, Stark county, Ohio, May 31, 1886, and is a son of Julius and Josephine (Grange) Thurin. His father was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, and at the age of fifteen years

emigrated to the United States. He came direct to Stark county, locating in Louisville, where he established a mercantile business, to which he devoted his attention to the time of his death, which occurred September 27, 1913, at the age of seventy-three years. His political belief was that of the republican party and he was a devout member of the Roman Catholic church. His wife was born in Georgetown, Summit county, Ohio, and was of French descent, her family having long been resident of Summit county. To Mr. and Mrs. Thurin were born ten children, all of whom are living.

Marion L. Thurin, the eighth in order of birth, was educated in the parochial and public schools of Louisville, after which he took a commercial course in the Canton Actual Business College. He then went to work for his father, under whom he learned the practical details of business management, and was associated with him for eight years. He then came to Canton and established his present business, in which success attended him from the start, so that in 1918 the business was incorporated as the Thurin Carpet and Rug Company, of which he is president. He utilizes twenty thousand square feet of floor space and employs thirty-three people. He has exercised sound judgment in all of his affairs and the prosperity which is now his is well merited.

Mr. Thurin was married on June 11, 1912, at Maximo, Stark county, to Miss Viola Maudru, who was born and reared in that place and was a daughter of Joseph and Louise (Vessieriat) Maudru, of an old and well known family of Stark county. Her father served as county treasurer. To Mr. and Mrs. Thurin were born three children at Louisville, Richard Marion, James Bernard and Julius Joseph. The mother died November 5, 1922, and on April 5, 1926, in Canton, Mr. Thurin married Miss Elizabeth Cavanaugh, a native of this city and a daughter of James and Catherine Cavanaugh, both of whom are deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Thurin has been born a son, Louis Marion. Mrs. Thurin is a member of the Canton Women's Club and is active in the work of her church and the auxiliary to the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Thurin gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Optimist Club and the Shady Hollow Country Club. He and his wife are members of St. John's Roman Catholic church. He is deeply interested in his city's welfare and gives his support to all worthy causes of a benevolent

nature. Because of his business ability, sterling character and friendly manner, he commands the esteem and good will of all who know him.

OSCAR R. SELL

Oscar R. Sell, general manager and one of the owners of the Embro Manufacturing Company, of Canton, has achieved material success because he has worked hard and persistently for it, and in his record are found marked evidences of his sound judgment, business sagacity and honorable methods. Mr. Sell was born in Canton, Ohio, March 21, 1884, and is a son of Rolandus and Katie (Dauberman) Sell, the latter now deceased. His paternal grandparents were John J. and Susan (Betz) Sell, who came from Mummasburg, Pennsylvania, to Canton prior to the advent of railroads here. Tradition states that the Sell family originated in Holland, whence they came to this country in a very early day, while the Betz family is of Scotch origin. Great-grandfather Betz conducted the Half-Way tavern on the Osnaburg road, between Canton and East Canton. Rolandus Sell was born in Stark county October 25, 1857, and was here reared and educated. For forty years he engaged in the retail grocery business at the corner of Fifth and Cherry streets, Canton, but is now practically retired. He is a democrat in his political affiliation, served as a member of the Canton board of education and is an earnest member of Trinity Reformed church. His wife was born at Massillon, Stark county, and was of German descent. Mr. and Mrs. Sell had three children, of whom two are living, Oscar R. and Myrtle Young, wife of George Burton Young, of Canton.

Oscar R. Sell attended the public schools of Canton, and at the age of sixteen years went to work in the wholesale notions house of W. A. McCrea. Thereafter he was employed in various commercial lines until 1914, when, with three associates, he organized the Embro Manufacturing Company, makers of metal specialties, such as embroidery hoops and curtain rods. The business, which is located at 1425 Sixth street northeast, Canton, has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth, its products being sold in all parts of the world, including China and Japan. The plant utilizes nearly eight

thousand square feet of floor space and twenty-five persons are given steady employment. The present officers of the Embro Manufacturing Company are, W. J. Poyser, president; J. R. Bucher, vice president; W. H. Cavnah, secretary and treasurer; and O. R. Sell, general manager. Mr. Sell is also a director of the Budget Plan Finance Company.

On June 18, 1908, at Sharon, Pennsylvania, Mr. Sell was united in marriage to Miss Edna B. Schauweker, who was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and is a daughter of George H. and Mary (Miller) Schauweker. Mrs. Sell is a member of the Sorosis Club and the Open Door Club and takes an active interest in church and missionary society work. Mr. and Mrs. Sell are the parents of a son, George B., who was born in Sharon, Pennsylvania, on April 13, 1911. In his political views, Mr. Sell maintains an independent attitude, voting according to the dictates of his judgment, but always supporting those measures which he believes to be for the best interests of the community. He is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M., and he and his wife are earnest and loyal members of Trinity Reformed church. Mr. Sell has exemplified the highest type of citizenship, has led an upright and consistent life and commands the sincere respect of all who know him.

ARTHUR T. ELLIS

Among those who have long been actively identified with the financial and business interests of Massillon, one of the most highly regarded is Arthur T. Ellis, secretary of the First Savings and Loan Company, who has earned a good reputation as a man of sound and discriminating judgment in practical matters and as a citizen of fine public spirit. Mr. Ellis was born at Bowdil, Stark county, Ohio, on the 10th of October, 1891, and is a son of Joseph J. and Elizabeth (Evans) Ellis. He received his educational training in the public and high schools and Massillon Business College and in 1909 entered the employ of the First Savings and Loan Company as a stenographer. Loyal and efficient service won for him deserved promotions and in May, 1926, he was elected secretary of the company, in which capacity he is rendering a high type of service. His long experience in this line of business has rendered

him intimately familiar with local conditions and placed him in a position where his opinions and advice are invaluable to the patrons of the bank, and he has been a large factor in the prosperity of this well known institution. Mr. Ellis is also a director of the C. W. Stuart Realty Company, secretary of the Charity Rotch Realty Company and a director of the Massillon Mortgage Company.

On December 29, 1916, Mr. Ellis was united in marriage to Miss Bessie E. Kerstetter, of Massillon, and they are the parents of a son, Thomas K. Mr. Ellis is a republican in his political views and has taken an active interest in matters affecting the public welfare, having served a number of years as a member of the board of education, of which he was president. He is a member of the Masonic order in all of its branches, is president of the Massillon City Club and a trustee of the Massillon City Hospital. He and his wife are earnest and active members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Ellis possesses the essential qualifications of good citizenship and throughout the community in which he lives commands uniform respect and esteem because of his good business record and his substantial qualities.

ALBERT J. PAUL

For forty years Albert J. Paul has been engaged in the sheet metal business in Massillon and holds a place in the front rank of the successful and reliable merchants of this city. He has spent his life in this locality, having been born in Massillon on the 3d of February, 1863, and is a son of Andrew and Catherine (Kohl) Paul. The father was numbered among the early settlers of Stark county, having settled here in 1832.

Mr. Paul received his educational training in the parochial and public schools and at the age of seventeen years started to learn the trade of sheet metal working, in which he became an expert. In 1888 he engaged in the business under the name of A. J. Paul & Company, his partner being Mr. Weiler, with whom he was associated until 1896, after which he carried on the business alone until 1908, when the present firm of C. F. Kracker & Company was established, consisting of Messrs. Kracker and Paul. Mr. Paul's son,

Vincent J., has since been admitted to the firm. The company does all kinds of sheet metal work and sells stoves and furnaces, installing the latter. Mr. Paul is painstaking in the performance of every job which he undertakes and takes a justifiable pride in the high quality of work which he turns out and which has been the basis on which his success has been founded.

On September 26, 1887, Mr. Paul was united in marriage to Miss Mary Weiler, and to them have been born four children, as follows: Gertrude, who is the wife of Albert Walter, Vincent J., Albert and Genevieve. The family are members of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church. While his business has made heavy demands on his time, Mr. Paul has never neglected his obligations of citizenship, standing ready at all times to give his time and influence in support of those measures which have been calculated to promote the public welfare. A man of sound business judgment, square in all of his dealings and rendering prompt and efficient service, he is well worthy of the confidence which is accorded him by his fellowmen.

THEODORE G. SNYDER

Through his indomitable and well directed efforts, Theodore G. Snyder, of Massillon, has become one of Stark county's leading business men, being an extensive dealer in builders' supplies and also a prominent and successful contractor. He was born November 14, 1885, in the city in which he resides, and is a son of Fred and Mary (Shriver) Snyder. He attended the public schools here, but began work at an early age, first as a newsboy. Later he was employed by the Smith Monument Works, the Massillon Consolidated Grocery Company and the William Yost Harness Company, in all of which positions he received good business training, which has proven invaluable in later years. For many years Mr. Snyder was engaged in the livery business and is now the only man in Stark county owning race horses, which he campaigns each year as a pleasant diversion from the routine of business. In 1913 Mr. Snyder established his present business as a dealer in coal, sand, gravel and builders' supplies, and as a contractor in building, teaming, steam-shovel work and similar lines. Through his sound

methods, his energy and painstaking attention to details, he has gradually built up one of the largest concerns in his line in the state of Ohio. He occupies his own building at 321 South Muskingum street, has an extensive and complete equipment of machinery and tools and gives employment to fifty men. He organized the Miller Snyder Company to purchase and allot and develop the old Chriver track, and there he has established and sold the high school athletic field. It was through his efforts that Lincoln avenue was graded and opened through the town. At present he is engaged in excavating and landscaping in connection with St. Paul's Lutheran church in Massillon, this being one of the finest pieces of landscaping in the state of Ohio. He is a member of that church, is also a life member of the Knights of Pythias, is a Knight Templar Mason and Mystic Shriner and a member of the Eagles. He deserves much credit for what he has accomplished, for he has been the architect of his own fortune, having attained his present success through tireless and persevering effort, backed by honorable dealing, and wherever known he commands uniform confidence and respect, while his cordial and unaffected manner has won him many warm and loyal friends.

JOHN ERWIN KEITH

The Keith Milling Company, at Canton, very largely owned and managed by John Erwin Keith, is one of the leading concerns engaged in the flour and feed business in Stark county, and Mr. Keith has realized a splendid measure of success through his persistent and close application to business and the exercise of sound judgment in all of his affairs. He was born in Ottawa, Kansas, on the 23d day of December, 1874, and is a son of John L. and Ellen L. (Kinney) Keith. His father was born at Vermillion, Oswego county, New York, and was a descendant of an old Scottish family which was founded in this country by his grandfather, John Keith, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. John L. Keith was reared and educated in New York state and in 1865, at the close of the Civil war, went to Kansas, where he took up a tract of government land among a host of New England and New York pioneers. There he was engaged in farming for a number of years,

afterward engaging in business in Ottawa, where he died in 1910, at the age of seventy-two years. He was a republican in his political creed and a Baptist in religious faith. His wife was born in Lima, Rock county, Wisconsin, and was a daughter of Asel Kinney, who was a member of the Wisconsin state legislature and prominent in state and national politics. The family is of Scotch origin and was established in Wisconsin in an early day. To Mr. and Mrs. Keith were born two sons and two daughters, of whom John Erwin and William H. are the only survivors.

John Erwin Keith received his elementary education in the public schools of Ottawa and at the age of sixteen years went to work in the People's National Bank of Ottawa, with which institution he remained until twenty years of age. Realizing the need of a broader education, he attended Ottawa University and Kansas State University, at Lawrence, until twenty-four years of age, when he and his brother William established a mail order business, under the name of the Keith Manufacturing Company, with headquarters at Topeka, Kansas. In 1899 he established an eastern branch at Canton, Ohio, and operated both successfully until 1917, when he sold out, and in the following year organized the Keith Milling Company at Canton. From a small start, the business enjoyed a steady and substantial growth until today it is an establishment of which Mr. Keith has a right to be proud. The Keith Milling Company owns their flouring mill and warehouse and are jobbers and wholesale and retail dealers in flour, feed, fertilizer, seeds and auxiliary lines. They also operate elevators at Louisville and Robertsville, Stark county.

On March 8, 1899, in Clay Center, Kansas, Mr. Keith was united in marriage to Miss Bernice Bonar, who was born in El Paso, Illinois, and is a daughter of John Marshall Bonar and Ruah (Williams) Bonar, the latter a direct descendant of Roger Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Keith are the parents of two daughters, Florence, born June 13, 1900, and Eleanor, born July 1, 1905. Mr. Keith has taken an active interest in matters affecting the moral and civic welfare of Canton, being a past director for nine years and past president of the Young Men's Christian Association; has been vice president of the Union Mission for the past five years, for four years has been a director of the Rotary Club, of which he was president in 1926-7. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., and he and his wife are members of the First Bap-

tist church, in which he is chairman of the board of trustees, and both take a very active part in church work. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of unquestioned integrity, with the courage of his convictions, and commands the unqualified confidence and respect of all who know him, while his genial and kindly manner has won for him many warm friends throughout the community.

OTTO KARL AYERS

Otto K. Ayers is prominently identified with the business interests of Stark county, particularly in relation to public service, and is regarded as a man of distinctive ability and sagacity in practical matters, being numbered among the successful and influential citizens of Alliance. He was born at Fort Jefferson, Ohio, on the 29th of June, 1888, and is a son of Willis E. and Emma (Keckler) Ayers. The grandfather, E. B. Ayers, was born at Shiloh, Montgomery county, Ohio, followed farming, and died at Dayton, this state. He was a republican in his political views. His son, Willis E. Ayers, was born near Lewisburg, Ohio, June 11, 1861, and died in Salem, Ohio, March 11, 1912; was a school teacher by profession, and also engaged in farming. He was a republican in politics and a member of the United Brethren church. Emma (Keckler) Ayers was born at Weaver's, Ohio, in 1867, and died at Salem, this state, May 9, 1907. She was a daughter of John and Julia (Dunaway) Keckler, of whom the former was born in Fairfield county, Ohio, devoted his efforts to agricultural pursuits, and died at Weaver's, Ohio. He was a democrat and a member of the Dunkard church.

Otto K. Ayers attended the public schools at Castine, Ohio, and the high schools at West Manchester, Ohio, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, and Auburn, Indiana. He is a director and the secretary and auditor of the Stark Electric Railway Company, a director, secretary and auditor of the Alliance Power Company, and assistant secretary of the Suburban Power Company, of Alliance, in which capacities he has been an important factor in the successful operation of these important concerns. He is a member of Alliance Lodge, I. O. O. F.; a charter member and the first vice president

of the Alliance Lions Club, and a director and charter member of the Sleepy Hollow Golf Club. He is a member and deacon of the Christian church at Alliance and gives his support to all worthy benevolent causes.

On May 6, 1914, in Alliance, Mr. Ayers was united in marriage to Miss Neva Emmons, who was born January 1, 1894, in East Rochester, Ohio, and is a daughter of Frank A. and Cora (Marietta) Emmons. Her father was born in East Rochester, and is a carpenter, which trade he followed for some years, but is now engaged in farming and lives at Moultrie, Ohio. He is a member of the Christian church and is a republican in his political views. His parents were David and Alice (Whiteleather) Emmons, of East Rochester, where the father engaged in the grocery business. He served throughout the Civil war as a member of the One Hundred and Fifteenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, gave his political support to the republican party and was a member of the Christian church. Mrs. Ayers, who was educated in the Alliance public schools, is a member of the Christian church and its societies, and the Daughters of Rebekah. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers are the parents of two children, Martha Elizabeth (Bettie), born July 24, 1916, and Dorothy Ellen, born November 24, 1918. Mr. Ayers is a member of the school sinking fund commission, appointed by Judge Diehl, of the common pleas court. Of straightforward manner and cordial and friendly in his social relations, throughout the community where he lives he commands the respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

HERBERT CLIFTON GRAYBILL, JR.

Herbert Clifton Graybill, Jr., who is rendering able and efficient service as assistant prosecuting attorney of Stark county, has earned a reputation as a capable and reliable lawyer and in the discharge of his official duties is alert, determined and resourceful. Born at East Greenville, Stark county, Ohio, on the 2d of August, 1899, he is a son of Herbert Clifton and Elizabeth Mary (Davis) Graybill. The Graybill family is of German origin and was founded in this country soon after the close of the Revolutionary war, the emigrant ancestor settling in Pennsylvania. The



HERBERT CLIFTON GRAYBILL, JR.

first of the family to settle in Ohio was the great-great-grandfather of Mr. Graybill of this review, who settled in Stark county. Herbert C. Graybill, Sr., was born at Pigeon Run, Tuscarawas township, this county, and received his education in the public schools. For a number of years he has been connected with the United States postal service as a mail carrier in Massillon. He is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Elizabeth Mary (Davis) Graybill was born in Wales and when sixteen months old was brought to this country by her parents, Daniel T. and Mary Ann (Thomas) Davis, who settled in Brookfield, Trumbull county, Ohio. They resided there until 1893, when they moved to Stark county, where the daughter completed her education and was married. To Mr. and Mrs. Graybill have been born thirteen children, of whom eleven, eight sons and three daughters, are living.

Herbert Clifton Graybill, Jr., who is the second child in order of birth, attended the public schools of Stark county and was graduated from the high school at Massillon, Stark county, in 1918. He then entered Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware, where he spent three years, completing his studies in the law department of Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1924. Mr. Graybill was compelled to earn his own way through college, his father being a poor man and with a large family to support, and was employed in steel mills, where, by the sweat of his brow, he gained the means to defray his educational expenses. After graduating, Mr. Graybill entered the law office of Niles A. Sponseller, in Canton, continuing with him until January, 1926. During this period he served as city solicitor for Massillon, resigning in January, 1927, to accept the position of assistant prosecuting attorney of Stark county, in which capacity he is still serving. He had had some previous experience in this position, having, for a period of three months in 1925, served as assistant prosecuting attorney under Charles B. McClintock.

On August 2, 1926, at Cleveland, Mr. Graybill was united in marriage to Miss Helen N. Wells, the ceremony being performed on the twenty-seventh anniversary of his birth. Mrs. Graybill was born in Creston, Wayne county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Nathan M. and Mary (Rocky) Wells, both of whom are representatives of well known Creston families. Mrs. Graybill takes an

active interest in local, civic, political and religious affairs, particularly in the work of the Young Women's Christian Association. In his political affiliation Mr. Graybill is a republican and has been active in its support, being now chairman of the republican central committee of Massillon, in which city he resides. He is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Knights of Pythias and the Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Kappa college fraternities. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church in Massillon. Determination, close application and persistent industry have been the elements which have insured his success and his record has gained for him the sincere respect and admiration of all who know him, while among his professional colleagues he is held in high regard.

FERDINAND HERBRUCK

The life activities of Ferdinand Herbruck, honored resident of Canton, cover the period from the pioneer past to the progressive present, and to the continuous growth and development of this section he has made valuable contribution, remaining still a most active factor in the world's work as president of the George D. Harter Bank. Few men have so wisely used their time and talents and his labors have always been of a character that has contributed to the welfare of city and state as well as to the upbuilding of his own fortunes. Canton is proud to number him among her native sons, his birth having here occurred November 4, 1844. His father, Peter Herbruck, was a native of Germany who came to America with other youths at the age of twelve years. The voyage across the Atlantic was made in a ship which docked at Philadelphia, and Peter Herbruck, hearing of advantages to be enjoyed in the state of Ohio, started on the trip on foot. En route to Canton he met a clergyman, the Rev. Faust, from whom he received employment, his chief work being the care of the clergyman's horses. Although his remuneration was very small, he had the advantage of using his employer's library, a privilege of which he eagerly availed himself, so that he became widely learned in the Scriptures and determined to devote his life to the ministry. He became one of the pioneer clergymen of Ohio and conducted religious services in

many of the small towns of Stark county, in the early period serving twelve congregations, from whom he received an aggregate salary of only about two hundred dollars a year. This limited remuneration naturally allowed him no luxuries and in fact his work entailed many hardships and for a long period necessitated his walking to the various towns in which he held religious services. After a time, however, from his meager earnings, he saved enough to enable him to purchase a horse at a cost of twenty-five dollars, but his funds were not sufficient to enable him to buy a saddle and he was therefore obliged to ride bareback. Nevertheless, he continued in the labors of the Lord throughout his entire life and for a period of fifty-three years was the loved and honored pastor of the First German Reformed church of Canton, his work being of far-reaching effect and importance in the moral development of the community. He died in 1896, at the age of eighty-three years, respected and esteemed by all who knew him, while his memory remains as a blessed benediction to those with whom he was associated. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Sarah Holwick, was born in Stark county, a daughter of Jonathan Holwick, a pioneer farmer of this section. She passed away in 1897, at the age of eighty-three years. The family of Rev. Peter and Sarah Herbruck numbered thirteen children, seven sons and six daughters, of whom four are yet living: Calvin and Emil, both residents of Stark county; Edward, who makes his home in Dayton, Ohio; and Ferdinand, of this review.

The last named pursued his education in one of the old-time log schoolhouses that stood on Second street, northeast. There he mastered the elementary branches of learning, but when twelve years of age was obliged to earn his own livelihood, being first employed as a clerk in the store of an older brother, with whom he continued, learning all branches of the business and thoroughly acquainting himself with the methods of merchandising then in vogue. He was thus employed to the age of twenty-two years, starting on a salary of one hundred dollars for his first year and receiving an additional hundred each year until he reached a maximum of eight hundred dollars per annum. It was while thus employed that Mr. Herbruck won the attention of George D. Harter, at that time one of the leading and influential citizens of Canton. After numerous attempts Mr. Harter finally prevailed upon the young man to accept his assistance in financing him to the extent

of twenty thousand dollars in the establishment of a general merchandise store. His previous experience as a clerk and assistant to his brother now stood him in good stead and he successfully conducted the business for a number of years. Eventually he sold out in order to again become an employe of his brother. In the meantime, Mr. Harter was conducting a private bank and at no time did he lose sight of the young man in whom he had become interested and whom he eventually made president of the George D. Harter State Bank when he received the charter for that institution, which became the successor of the private bank that he had previously conducted. This position Mr. Herbruck has filled continuously since 1897 and has developed a great banking house, transforming the small institution through his wise management and marked executive ability into one of the foremost banks of the state. Its doors were first opened for business on the 23d day of July, 1866. His plans have ever been carefully formulated and his resolute purpose and his thorough understanding of modern-day conditions in the business world have enabled him to so direct his affairs as to make the bank an institution of the greatest worth to the city and surrounding district. He is a hard thinking, clear-minded executive and never stops short of the attainment of his objective.

In Canton, in 1868, Mr. Herbruck was united in marriage to Miss Catherine Kauffman, a native of Stark county and a daughter of Solomon Kauffman, one of the pioneer settlers of Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Herbruck became the parents of three daughters. Alice is the wife of Louis D. Paar and has three children: Hilda, wife of R. T. Ballard; Fred D. Paar; and Miriam, wife of Herbert McKowan. Effie is the wife of Louis J. Geisler and the mother of one son, Ferdinand Geisler. Helen is the wife of Roscoe C. McCulloch, an attorney of Canton, and they are the parents of two children, Kathryn and Hugh McCulloch.

The military chapter in the life record of Mr. Herbruck covers service with the Home Guards during the Civil war. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party and he has served as a member of the city council and was instrumental in the construction of the first improved streets of Canton. To bring about this result was his object in seeking public office, and otherwise he has always preferred to do his duty as a private citizen rather than as an official. The interests and welfare of Canton, however, have always been dear to his heart and his influence and

efforts have been strongly resultant in bringing about improved conditions and in promoting progress along many lines. Externally he is a Mason—a life member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M., which was organized in 1821, also a life member of the consistory and a life member of Washington Temple of the Mystic Shrine. His religious faith is manifest in his membership in the Trinity Reformed church and his interests and activities have ever centered in those channels through which flows the greatest good to the greatest number. Canton honors him as a citizen of worth because of what he has accomplished in the business world, his industry, perseverance and honesty bringing him into prominent relations with the commercial and financial development of Canton, and also because of what he has done in maintaining the intellectual, civic and moral progress as well as the material development of his native city. Having spent his entire life here and ever commanded the respect, confidence and good will of all, he has a circle of friends that is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance.

HON. EDWIN W. DIEHL

Edwin W. Diehl, judge of the common pleas court of Stark county, has long ranked among the leading members of the legal profession in this county and his elevation to the bench was a just recognition of his wide learning and sterling integrity of character. Born at Homeworth, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 3d day of April, 1872, he is a son of Aaron J. and Sarah (Boyce) Diehl. His family is of Dutch origin, the progenitor of the family in this country having been Jacob Diehl, who emigrated from Holland about 1805 and settled in or near Baltimore, Maryland. In that locality was born Judge Diehl's grandfather, Jacob Diehl, who came to Ohio in 1832 and settled in Columbiana county, where he resided until his death, which occurred in 1863, at the age of seventy-five years. His son, Aaron J. Diehl, was born in Baltimore, Maryland, whence he accompanied his father on the migration to Ohio, and he was reared and educated in Columbiana county, where he spent his active years engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served as a private for eighteen months with Company I, Fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, dur-

ing which period he took part in the battles of Bull Run, Cold Harbor and Spottsylvania Courthouse. In the latter engagement he was so severely wounded as to incapacitate him from further military service and he was honorably discharged. He was one of a few who received a pension at the time of discharge. He was a democrat and was active in political affairs, serving as township assessor and as a member of the board of education in Knox township, Columbiana county. He died at Alliance, Ohio, in 1910, at the age of seventy-seven years. His wife, born in Yellow Creek, Columbiana county, was a daughter of Jacob and Anna (Carnes) Boyce, her family being of English descent and among the early settlers of Ohio. She died at Alliance, Ohio, in 1918, at the age of eighty-four years. To Mr. and Mrs. Diehl were born three sons and two daughters, of whom Edwin W. is the fourth in order of birth, and of whom two sons are deceased.

Edwin W. Diehl attended the public schools at Homeworth and Ohio Normal University, at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1895. He taught school for six years, during which period he took up the study of law in the offices of the late Alonzo Strong, of Alliance, and J. S. Miller, of that place. In 1902 he was admitted to the bar and engaged in the general practice of law, in which he continued successfully for twenty years, being associated with Hon. J. J. Brown, now judge of the municipal court of Alliance. In 1923 Judge Diehl was appointed by the governor to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Harvey Ake on the bench of the common pleas court, and in the following year was elected for the full term of six years. The prestige which he enjoyed as a practicing lawyer has been augmented by his splendid record as a jurist, and to a marked degree he commands the unqualified confidence and respect of the people of Stark county. Among the noted cases tried before him was the first of the now famous Mellett cases known as the Pat McDermott case.

On June 26, 1905, in Alliance, Judge Diehl was united in marriage to Miss Lottie M. Raynor, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of John and Katherine (Shem) Raynor, both of German descent. Mrs. Diehl is a member of the Alliance Women's Club, the Caldron, the Ladies of Mokanna and the Methodist church. Judge and Mrs. Diehl have two children, Eloise, born April 3, 1907, and Edwin W., Jr., November 24, 1909. The family reside at 192 West Cambridge street, Alliance. Judge Diehl is a

stanch democrat and prior to going on the bench took an active part in political affairs. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M., at Alliance, and has received the degrees of the Scottish Rite up to the thirty-third. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Sons of Veterans, all at Alliance. He is an earnest member of the Presbyterian church, to which he gives generous support, as he does to all other worthy causes. A man of strong character and deeply devoted to his profession, he is also cordial and affable in manner, and has a host of warm and loyal friends.

JESSE G. SOHNER

Jesse G. Sohner, secretary of the People's Building and Loan Company, of Massillon, has had many years of experience in positions of responsibility and in his present capacity has demonstrated business qualities of a high order, so that he has been able to contribute in definite measure to the success of this well known organization. Mr. Sohner was born in Massillon, Ohio, on the 2d of April, 1880, and is a son of Charles and Mary E. (Pider) Sohner, of whom the former was born in Germany and is now deceased.

Mr. Sohner attended the public schools and took the commercial course in the Massillon Business College. He was employed in various places, spending eighteen years in New York city, a part of which time was in a wholesale men's furnishing house, and was in Utica, New York, four years. He returned to Massillon in 1901 and was appointed to a position in the post office, where he remained for eleven years, after which he served as deputy county auditor for five and a half years. In July, 1921, he entered the People's Building and Loan Company as assistant secretary and on June 22, 1922, was elected secretary, which position he is filling in an able and acceptable manner.

Mr. Sohner has been married twice, first, in 1922, to Miss Viola Bordner, of Massillon, now deceased. On September 1, 1927, he married Miss Mary A. Paine, of Corona, California. He gives his political support to the republican party, while his religious faith is that of St. John's Evangelical church. He is a member of

the Free and Accepted Masons, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Boy Scouts, of which he is treasurer of the Massillon council, and the Young Men's Christian Association, in which he is doing effective work on the boys' committee. He does well whatever he undertakes, maintains a sincere interest in the welfare of his community and gives his support to all worthy causes. Because of his sterling character, his excellent official record and his cordial and friendly manner, he is held in high regard by his fellowmen throughout the community where he lives.

WILLIAM KENT YOST

W. Kent Yost is manager of one of the oldest and best known business concerns of Stark county—the William Yost Company, of Massillon, which firm has for sixty years been engaged in manufacturing and selling leather goods and has always merited the confidence and respect of the public. A native of this city, Mr. Yost was born on the 13th of June, 1879, and is a son of William and Mary Frances (Oberlin) Yost. His father was born in Jackson township, Stark county, June 6, 1841, and was educated in the public schools. When nineteen years of age he came to Massillon and went to work in Fred Loeffler's grocery store, where he was employed until 1860, after which he clerked for S. A. Conrad until August 4, 1862. He then enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Fourth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which command he served until the close of the Civil war, taking part in some of the army's most important operations, including the Atlanta campaign. On his return home he was in Akron, Ohio, for a short time, but returned to Massillon and in 1868, in partnership with his brother George, engaged in the harness, saddlemaking and leather findings business, also establishing a tannery. In 1874 George took over the tannery, remaining associated with William in the other branch of the business until March, 1877, when William Yost became sole owner of the leather goods business, to which he later added wagons and carriages, in which line he continued to the time of his death, on February 7, 1910. On October 5, 1869, he was married to Miss Mary Frances Oberlin, a daugh-

ter of Samuel and Mary (Hoffman) Oberlin, and they became the parents of four children, Ella M., Charles O., William Kent and Edwin. The mother died April 17, 1920. Mr. Yost was a republican in his political views and was a member of the Masonic order.

W. Kent Yost received a public and high school education and from the age of nineteen years was employed in the hardware store of his uncle, Charles E. Oberlin. When eighteen years of age he became associated with his father in the leather business, and on the death of his father he and his sister, Ella M., took over the business, which they have since successfully conducted under the old name of the William Yost Company. Through good management and the maintenance of the high quality of products which has always characterized this concern, it has held its position among the leading firms in its line in this section of the state and enjoys a large patronage.

On June 7, 1910, Mr. Yost was united in marriage to Miss Anna L. Silk, and they are the parents of three children, William K., John C. and Barbara Jane. Mr. Kent gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Massillon Chamber of Commerce. His religious connection is with the Methodist Episcopal church and he gives consistent support to every worthy enterprise for the promotion of the best interests of his community. As a business man, citizen and neighbor, he has so ordered his course as to gain and retain the unqualified confidence and esteem of his fellowmen and is deservedly popular with all who know him.

WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD

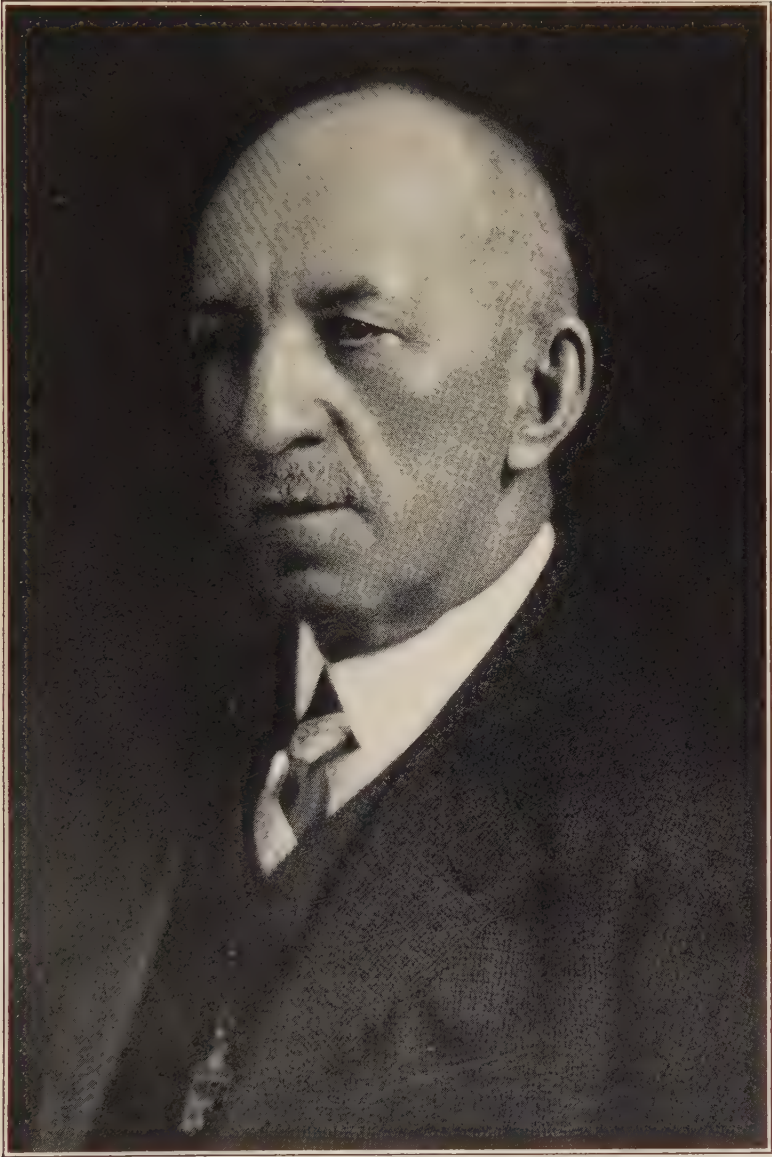
William H. Crawford, secretary and treasurer of the Reliance Manufacturing Company, of Massillon, has for many years been identified with the financial end of various important business organizations and has been found to be trustworthy and dependable in all things. He was born in Massillon, Ohio, on the 15th of November, 1878, and is a son of R. B. and Eliza (Wertzbaurgher) Crawford, both of whom are deceased. After completing the course of the public and high schools, he entered the law department of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated, with

the degree of Bachelor of Laws, in 1900. He became assistant cashier of the Massillon Savings and Banking Company, in which position he served six years, and then for two years was assistant treasurer of Russell & Company. In 1912 he became associated with Frank C. McLain in the organization of the Reliance Manufacturing Company, of which he is now secretary and treasurer. This concern is engaged in the manufacture of Reliance lock washers and Hy-Chrome nut locks, and operates two plants in Massillon. Its products have become widely known and are in great demand and the company is doing a very prosperous business. Mr. Crawford is also a director of the First National Bank of Massillon, a director of the Cuyahoga Steel and Wire Company, of Bedford, Ohio, and secretary and treasurer of the Mansfield Lock Washer Company, of Mansfield, Ohio, and a director of the Standard Horse Nail Company, of New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

On October 12, 1904, Mr. Crawford was united in marriage to Miss Florence H. Dangler, of Massillon, and they are the parents of a son, William H., Jr., who is now a student in Harvard University. Mr. Crawford gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is a member of the Masonic order in all of its branches. He is a communicant of St. Timothy's Protestant Episcopal church and gives his support to all worthy benevolent causes. He is a man of sincere purpose, holds firmly to high ideals and throughout the range of his acquaintance commands respect and confidence because of his worthy business record and his estimable qualities.

THEODORE J. PHILLIPS, D.D.S.

For ninety years the Phillips family, of which Dr. Theodore J. Phillips, of Canton, is a worthy representative, has been numbered among the leading families of Stark county. During this period its members have been prominently identified with its business and professional affairs, exemplifying a type of manhood and citizenship which has earned for them an exalted place in public regard. The family originated in the village of Gunstadt, Alsace, France, where lived the doctor's great-grandfather. He was the father of four sons and two daughters, and three of the sons



DR. THEODORE J. PHILLIPS

served under Napoleon, the only one to return home being Adam, who was born in Gunstadt in 1792 and there learned the trade of shoemaking. In Gunstadt he married Miss Magdalena Speil and in 1838 he brought his wife and five children to the United States. Landing at New York, after a voyage of thirty-one days, they proceeded to Buffalo, thence by lake to Cleveland, and from that city by canal to Massillon, Stark county. They lived a few months in Canton and then established their home on the Bolivar road, in Canton township, where Mr. Phillips worked at his trade as opportunity offered, and also was employed on farms in that locality. Returning to Canton, he opened a shoemaking shop on South Cherry street, between Ninth and Tenth streets, where he remained awhile and then traded that property for five acres of land adjoining the town on the southeast. There he established his permanent home, in which he lived until his death in 1858. His wife passed away in 1880, at the age of eighty-seven years. Mr. Phillips gave his political support to the democratic party and he and his wife were devout members of the Roman Catholic church. They became the parents of six children, namely: Joseph, who married Agnes Pecher and died in Indiana; Adam, Jr., deceased; Frances, who became the wife of George Gonder, of Canton; Mary, who became the wife of Lawrence Bechel and died in Canton in 1899; George, who married Mary Herdt, and farmed south of Canton; and Magdalena, who was born in Stark county and became the wife of Frederick Seikel, of Canton.

Adam Phillips, Jr., born in Gunstadt, Alsace, France, February 26, 1827, was about eleven years of age when the family emigrated to the United States, and in the schools of Stark county completed the education which he had begun in his native land. Between the ages of twelve and twenty-one he spent the summers working on neighboring farms, and then learned the blacksmith trade with Charles Mesner, at New Berlin, Stark county. He became a proficient workman and followed that trade during the ensuing twenty-three years, working in Canton and Tiffin, Ohio, in Moline, Illinois, and other places. In 1868 he bought thirty-one acres of land, now a part of Westlawn cemetery, and on which was later erected the monument to the late President McKinley. Mr. Phillips devoted his attention to clearing the land, which was covered with a heavy growth of timber, erected a comfortable home, into which he moved in 1870, and there engaged in farming, in

addition to which he also operated a lime kiln and a coal bank on the place. In 1879 he sold the property to the Westlawn Cemetery Association and bought forty-eight acres of land on the opposite side of Harrison avenue, to which tract he removed his dwelling. Here he developed a good farm, to the management of which he devoted his attention to the time of his death. He supported the democratic party and he and his family were members of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church in Canton. On June 21, 1855, Mr. Phillips married Miss Elizabeth Austin, who was born in Wayne county, Ohio, December 4, 1837, and was a daughter of John G. and Agnes (Stein) Austin. Her father was born in Hesse Cassel, Germany, in 1801, while her mother was born in Bavaria about 1803. Mr. Austin learned the blacksmith's trade in his native land and about 1839 the family came to the United States, locating on a small tract of land near Canal Fulton, Wayne county, Ohio, where he conducted a blacksmith shop. Later he spent a year in Tiffin, Seneca county, but returned to Wayne county, settling on eighty acres of land which he had previously bought, five miles from Fostoria. Clearing this land, he made improvements and engaged in farming, but later bought and moved to another farm of one hundred and sixty acres near Tiffin, and there he passed the remainder of his life, his death occurring in 1888, at the age of eighty-seven years. He was a man of splendid physique and great energy, continuing his active labors to within two years of his death. His wife died June 10, 1853. They were members of the Roman Catholic church. They had a family of seven children: Catherine, who became the wife of John Unser, and died in Tiffin in April, 1900; Mary, who was born in 1828, and died in 1853; George and William, deceased; John, a soldier in the Union army, who was killed in the battle of Bull Run; Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips; and Jacob, deceased, who served three years in the Civil war as a member of the Fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. To Mr. and Mrs. Phillips were born six children: Theodore Joseph; George E., of Canton, who married Miss Mary Stucker and has two children, Paul Adam and Agnes E.; Flora E., who became the wife of Henry A. Striff, of Wheeling, West Virginia, and to them were born three children, Theodore J., Cecilia and Irene; William A., of Canton, who was married to Miss Antoinette Dannemiller and they have three children, Eugene William, John J. and Robert E.; Henry Augustus, of Wheeling, West

Virginia, who married Miss Lulu Miller and has three children, Lulu, Helen and Austin; and Victor A., of Canton.

Theodore J. Phillips was born in Canton on the 22d of March, 1859, and received his early educational training in St. Peter's parochial school, after which he attended and was graduated from high school. He remained on his father's farm until twenty-three years old, doing regular farm work and assisting in the operation of the lime kiln, coal bank and stone quarry which his father also conducted on the homestead, and it is worthy of note that at one time this quarry and kiln supplied all the lime and cement used for building purposes in this locality. On leaving the farm Mr. Phillips secured a position as shipping clerk in the wholesale grocery house of B. Dannemiller & Sons, in Canton, and during this period also took up the study of dentistry under Dr. G. R. Ball. Later he entered the Ohio Dental College, at Cincinnati, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1883. He engaged in the practice of his profession in Minerva, until April, 1884, when he returned to Canton and opened an office at the corner of Walnut and East Tuscarawas streets, on the second floor of what later became the Globe clothing store, remaining there until April, 1885, when he moved to his present location at 130 Tuscarawas street east, where he has remained a period of forty-three years. A skilled and painstaking operator, Dr. Phillips has always stood in the front rank of his profession in this city and has commanded a large and representative practice.

On September 24, 1890, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dr. Phillips was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Burke, who was born in Louisville, Kentucky, and is a daughter of Thomas E. and Rosanna Burke, both of whom were born in Ireland, whence her father came to this country in 1842 and her mother in 1850. They lived for some years in Louisville, but later became residents of Cincinnati. Dr. and Mrs. Phillips have three children, namely: Edgar R., born March 18, 1892, married Miss Nina Neidlinger and they have two children, Audrey E. and Patricia; Mary Augusta, born February 24, 1897, became the wife of F. L. Westrick and they have three children, Philip, Mary Eilene and Catherine; and Theodore Joseph, Jr., was born January 7, 1901.

Dr. Phillips is a democrat on national issues, but in local elections votes according to the dictates of his judgment, supporting

the candidates he regards as best fitted for the offices they seek. He was formerly a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, but after his marriage transferred to St. John's parish, where the family now attend. The Doctor is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of St. John, of which he was commander for three years. He belongs to the Sippo Lake Club and Carrollton Recreation Club and the Lakeside Gun Club, and along strictly professional lines has membership in the Stark County, Northern Ohio, Ohio State and American Dental Associations. In addition to his long and creditable career in one of the most useful and exacting of professions, he has been a worthy citizen of his community, giving his earnest support to those measures which have been advanced for public betterment and has the unqualified confidence and esteem of the people among whom he has lived and labored, standing today as one of Canton's representative professional men and solid and dependable citizens.

HOMER LESTER GRIMES

Homer Lester Grimes, president of the Alliance Dry Cleaning Company, has met with distinctive success in his business affairs, due to his adherence to the highest commercial ethics, while the quality of the work turned out by his concern has been its most effective advertisement. Mr. Grimes was born in Washington township, Stark county, Ohio, on the 9th of January, 1885, and is a son of John and Ellen (Schaffer) Grimes. His father was born in this county, June 20, 1843, and devoted his activities to farming for many years, but is now retired and lives in Alliance. He served in the Union Army during the latter period of the Civil war, having enlisted for three months, and reenlisted for the same period. He supports the republican party and is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic, of which he was post commander for two years. His wife was born in Washington township, Stark county, in 1848, and died in Alliance, in August, 1926. Her parents, Daniel and Elizabeth Schaffer, who were natives of Pennsylvania, came to Stark county in an early day and there her father took up a tract of gov-

ernment land, on which he engaged in farming to the time of his death.

Homer L. Grimes attended the district schools of Washington township and the public schools of Alliance, after which he took a course in the Alliance Business College. He later studied electrical engineering in the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and subsequently took a course in dyeing and cleaning with the National Institute of Dyeing, which is now located in Washington, D. C. During the period of his first course he was employed as a machinist with the Alliance Machine Company for two and a half years, after which he went to work for the old Adams Express Company, as a messenger between Pittsburgh and Chicago. He performed the duties of that position for nine years, and then became connected with the Alliance Dry Cleaning Company, as bookkeeper for three years, as general manager for two years, and for the past eleven years has been president of the company. The plant is located on the Sebring road, near Alliance, and is equipped with the most improved type of machinery. The main office of the company is at 33 South Arch street, Alliance, and they have agencies in a number of the surrounding towns. The company has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth in business and is now regarded as one of the leading concerns in its line in Stark county.

Mr. Grimes was married in Alliance, March 8, 1903, to Miss Nellie M. Witherspoon, who was born November 11, 1896, and is a daughter of Curtis and Margaret (Thompson) Witherspoon. Her father was born in 1847, in Carroll county, Ohio, and during his early life followed farming. Later he took up plaster contracting, in which he was successful, and his death occurred in Alliance, November 1, 1926. He was a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, who is a native of Carroll county, is now residing in Alliance. Mrs. Grimes was educated in the public schools of Carroll county and is an active member of a number of ladies' organizations, taking a keen interest in the social, civic and church affairs of her community. Politically Mr. Grimes is aligned with the republican party on national issues, but maintains an independent attitude in local elections, voting for the candidates whom he regards as best qualified for the offices they seek. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, of which he has twice been exalted ruler, and belongs to the Rotary

Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Sebring Fish and Game Association, of which he is a director, being very fond of fishing and hunting. During the war he took an active part in all of the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and was for three years a member of the home service committee of the Red Cross. He and his wife are members of the Union Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a trustee, and he is also president of the married people's Bible class. Earnest purpose and tireless energy, combined with mature judgment and every-day common sense, are among his prominent characteristics and he well merits the respect and esteem which are accorded him by all who know him.

KENNETH S. GOODIN

Kenneth S. Goodin, secretary and treasurer of the Canton Drop Forging and Manufacturing Company, deserves recognition as a worthy example of the self-made man, his success coming as the natural sequence of his persistent, intelligent and rightly directed efforts, and today he holds an enviable place in the business circles of Canton. Mr. Goodin was born in Paris, Stark county, Ohio, on the 3d of November, 1882, and is a son of Francis Marion and Emma (Spore) Goodin. The father, born in Paris, was a son of William Berry Goodin, an early settler of this locality, who was well known as a wagoner, operating a stage coach between Pittsburgh and Massillon. Further reference to Mr. Goodin's early activities is made in the chapter on early transportation in the historical section of this work. Francis M. Goodin was reared and educated in Stark county and devoted the active years of his life to farming and stock-raising. He was greatly interested in educational affairs, devoting much time to the advancement of the township schools. His wife was born in Minerva, Ohio, and is descended from a pioneer family of this county, who came from Pennsylvania. She now resides in Minerva. Mr. and Mrs. Goodin became the parents of two children, Kenneth S. and Edna, who is the wife of J. C. Nohl, of Canton.

Kenneth S. Goodin received his early education in the public schools of Centerville and Minerva, and when seventeen years of age he went to work as an office boy for the Wheeling & Lake Erie

Railroad, beginning at a salary of fifteen dollars a month. He remained in the employ of that company until January 23, 1905, when he went to work for the Canton Drop Forging & Manufacturing Company, filling the office of secretary until 1913, when he became secretary-treasurer, and is still filling that responsible position. He is also president of the Acme Laundry Company, Inc. He has shown business qualities of a high order, being a man of mature judgment and sound discrimination, and his associates hold him in high esteem.

On October 16, 1913, in Canton, Mr. Goodin was united in marriage to Miss Florence Perdue, who was born in Minerva, Ohio, and is a daughter of T. J. and Emma (Helman) Perdue, both of whom were representatives of old and well known families of Minerva, the latter now deceased. Mr. Goodin gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a keen interest in public affairs, though not an office seeker. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Side Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland, and Lily Lodge, K. P. He belongs to the Shady Hollow Country Club, of which he is vice president and a director, and he and his wife are members of the First Christian church at Minerva. He has lived a busy and useful life, has been true and loyal in all things, and, though his business makes heavy demand on his time, he does not neglect his obligations of citizenship, but ever stands ready to do his part in promoting the best interests of the city or county in which he lives. These qualities, as well as his excellent personal traits, have brought him well deserved popularity.

WESLEY MITZEL

Wesley Mitzel, a stockholder in and general manager of the General Tire Company, of Alliance, is a man of wide business experience and in his present enterprise is meeting with success, due to his energetic and progressive methods and his square dealing. Born near Massillon, Ohio, on the 31st of December, 1884, he is a son of William G. and Amanda (Bortner) Mitzel. The father was born in York, Pennsylvania, and died at Carrollton, Ohio, in March, 1919, at the age of seventy-nine years. He was a flour

mill for fifty-five years, owning a mill at Augusta, Ohio. He served over three years in the Union army, in the Civil war, gave his political support to the republican party and was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born near York, Pennsylvania, and died near Massillon, Ohio, in 1885, at the age of thirty-nine years.

Wesley Mitzel received his educational training in the public schools of Augusta, Ohio, after which he was associated with his father in the flour mill at Augusta for three years. Coming to Alliance, he entered the employ of The J. H. Sharer & Son Company, furniture dealers and undertakers, with whom he remained for three years, after which he became connected with the postoffice department, serving as a letter carrier for eleven years. He then formed a partnership with J. W. Frutkin and engaged in business under the name of the Superior Tailors and Dry Cleaners, which enterprise they conducted for five years. Mr. Mitzel was the proprietor of a delicatessen stand, under the name of the Superior Dairy Products Company, in the Alliance city market for three and a half years and on January 1, 1927, he acquired an interest in the General Tire Company, of which he became secretary and manager, which relation he still sustains.

On March 24, 1903, in Augusta, Ohio, Mr. Mitzel was united in marriage to Miss Elva M. Ashbrook, who was born March 24, 1884, and is a daughter of Simeon and Elizabeth (Perdue) Ashbrook, both of whom were born in Augusta and are now residing in Alliance. In early life Mr. Ashbrook was a harnessmaker, but later engaged in the hardware business. He is a staunch republican in his political views and has been active in public affairs, having served four years as sheriff of Carroll county, Ohio, and three years as a deputy United States marshal. He and his wife are members of the Christian church. Mrs. Mitzel was educated in the public schools of Augusta. Mr. and Mrs. Mitzel are the parents of two children. Drexel A., born November 3, 1904, acquired a public school education and is employed as a machinist with the Morrison Jack Company, of Alliance. He married Miss Ruby Seigenthaler, of this city. Dorothy M. was born July 31, 1914.

Mr. Mitzel has always given his political support to the republican party. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M., and the Sons of Veterans, of which he was commander for two years, and he belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and has

shown a keen interest in the welfare and prosperity of his community. He and his wife are members of the First Christian church, of which he was formerly a deacon and for several years chorister of the Sunday school. A man of earnest purpose and upright life, he commands the sincere respect of all and is numbered among the wide-awake and enterprising business men of his city.

CHARLES E. MORRIS

Charles E. Morris, publisher of the Canton Daily News, is an outstanding figure in the journalistic circles of Ohio, and the distinctive services which he rendered to the city of Canton within recent months is too fresh in the public mind to require any eulogy here. A man of keen and discriminating mind and an able and forceful writer, his newspaper work has long attracted favorable attention, and he stands today among the strong and influential men of Canton, commanding the uniform respect of the people of this city and county. Mr. Morris was born in Wapakoneta, Auglaize county, Ohio, May 21, 1884, and is a son of Francis Marion and Mary Eliza (Copeland) Morris. His father, who was of Scotch-Irish descent, was born in Urbana, Ohio, in 1837, and died in 1926, while his mother, who was of English ancestry, was born in St. Johns, Ohio, in 1845, and died in 1925. Mr. Morris secured his early education in the district schools of his home county and graduated from the Wapakoneta high school. During 1903-4 he worked on the Toledo Blade, and later was for several years with the Wapakoneta Daily News. In 1908 he went to Springfield, Ohio, as editor of the Springfield Times, and also conducted the Ad Print Shop there until 1913, when he went to Dayton and served for three years as editor of the Daily News, during which period he was also identified with the Ohio News League. During the following four years Mr. Morris was in Columbus as secretary to Governor James M. Cox, and in 1921 went to Washington, D. C., as Washington correspondent and editor for the News League, remaining in the capital until July 16, 1926, when, on the assassination of Don R. Mellett, he came to Canton, took over the Daily News, and assumed charge of the investigation which resulted in the conviction of conspirators and

the breaking up of the control of the vice leaders over the police department of the city.

On March 5, 1907, in Celina, Ohio, Mr. Morris was united in marriage to Miss Clara Freda Feldheiser, who was there born February 20, 1886, and is a daughter of Michael and Elizabeth (Sammeter) Feldheiser, who came of German ancestry. Her father was born in Hamilton, Ohio, in 1845 and died in 1913, and her mother was born in Sidney, Ohio, in 1855 and died in 1925. Mr. and Mrs. Morris are the parents of two daughters, Mary Elizabeth, who is a junior in the college of medicine of Ohio State University, and Marian Mae, who is a senior in the McKinley high school in Canton. In his political views Mr. Morris is an independent democrat. He has been active in public affairs, having been associated with Governors Harmon and Cox in their Ohio campaigns and in Mr. Cox's presidential campaign. He is a member of the Canton Club, the Brookside Country Club, the Canton Torch Club, the National Press Club and the City Club, of Washington, D. C., and the Athletic Club of Columbus. He was reared in the faith of the English Lutheran church but is now affiliated with the Presbyterian church. He does much special, editorial and general writing, and is also the author of books, possessing a smooth, clear and interesting literary style. He is a man of positive opinions, is fearless in the expression of his convictions, standing for the right regardless of any question of policy or personal profit, whereby he commands the confidence and respect of the public.

HOWARD MILTON DINE

Howard M. Dine is president and general manager of the Dine-DeWees Company, of 400 Walnut avenue southeast, Canton, and in his successful direction of this enterprise has proven a man of more than ordinary sagacity and judgment, ranking high among the progressive business men of Stark county. He was born in Canton on the 2d of February, 1879, and is a son of William Delmer and Regina (Sexauer) Dine. His father was an expert woodworker and for twenty-seven years was in the employ of C. Aultman & Company, of Canton. In his political views he was a staunch republican, while his religious connection in early life was



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with the United Brethren church, he afterward joining the Reformed church. His father, Jacob Dine, who was of German antecedents, was a veteran of the Civil war. Regina (Sexauer) Dine was born June 9, 1858, is of French ancestry, and is still a resident of Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Dine became the parents of four children, Howard Milton; Flora, the wife of Harry W. Oliver, who is now president of the Canton city council; Ralph R., who lives in Ashland, Ohio; and Leonore, the wife of A. C. Landis, of Canton.

Howard M. Dine attended the public schools of this city, and Central high school, and at the age of sixteen years went to work for the Canton Hardware Company, beginning at a wage of two dollars and seventy-five cents a week. He remained with that concern for twenty-two years, learning all branches of the business, in which he eventually acquired a financial interest and became a member of the board of directors. On February 17, 1917, he retired from that firm and established the business in which he is now interested. It was incorporated for one hundred thousand dollars, but the rapid growth of the business requiring greater capital, it was increased to three hundred thousand dollars. This firm conducts the only exclusive business of its kind in Stark county, being wholesale automotive and garage equipment distributors, and its sales territory includes western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and eastern Ohio. Sixty people are employed and the company now has seventeen traveling salesmen. The plant utilizes forty thousand square feet of space, including the warehouse, and carries a large and complete stock of everything in its line. Mr. Dine has devoted his attention closely to the upbuilding of the business and has had the pleasure of seeing it develop into one of Canton's important enterprises. He is a director of the Home Builders Savings and Loan Association.

On January 29, 1902, in Canton, Mr. Dine was united in marriage to Miss Ida Belinda Rigler, who was born in this city, July 23, 1879, a daughter of August and Henrietta (Heingartner) Rigler. Mr. and Mrs. Dine are the parents of two children: Paul H., born May 11, 1903, married to Miss Elizabeth Graybill, of Canton, and is assistant sales manager for the Dine-DeWees Company; and Evelyn M., born July 23, 1909, is a student in Ohio Wesleyan University.

In his political views Mr. Dine is a republican and fraternally is a member of McKinley Lodge, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Con-

sistory, A. A. S. R.; and Canton Council, J. O. U. A. M. He belongs to the Rotary Club, of which he is a director; the Congress Lake Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. The firm belongs to the Automotive Equipment Association, an international organization of manufacturers and distributors of automotive and garage equipment. In this association Mr. Dine has been very active, having served as president, vice president, a member of the board of directors for four years, on the board of governors for three years, for three years a member of the organized merchandise committee, and at the convention in Chicago in 1927 was made a member of the greater market development committee. He is a member of the First Reformed church and was superintendent of the Sunday school. He has shown an effective interest in things pertaining to the material, civic or moral welfare of his city and in his career has exemplified a high type of citizenship, for which reason, as well as for his excellent personal traits, he is held in high regard by those who know him.

HON. JOHN H. FIMPLE

The bench and bar of Stark county have been dignified by the life and labors of John H. Fimple, of Canton, who has long stood in the front rank of the able and successful attorneys of northeastern Ohio and is a member of the well known firm of Lynch, Day, Fimple, Pontius & Lynch, which is regarded as one of Ohio's strongest law firms. Mr. Fimple was born on his father's farm in Augusta township, Carroll county, Ohio, March 31, 1859, a son of David and Hannah (Dumbleton) Fimple, of whom the latter died in May, 1891, at the age of ninety-one years. David Fimple was a native of Washington county, Pennsylvania, and a son of Michael Fimple, who was a pioneer of Carroll county, Ohio, as was also the Judge's maternal grandfather, John Dumbleton, who was a native of England.

John H. Fimple secured his early education in the district schools of his home neighborhood and the public schools of Minerva after which he attended Ohio Northern University and Mt. Union College, graduating from the last named institution with honors and the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1882. He took

up the study of law in the office of Robert Raley, in Carrollton, and was admitted to the bar in 1886. He at once engaged in the practice of law in Carrollton and subsequently formed a law partnership with his preceptor, under the name of Raley & Fimple, an association which was terminated when the senior member of the firm was elevated to the bench of the common pleas court. Later Judge Fimple was associated with Judges James Holder, U. C. DeFord, R. E. McDonald and H. J. Eckley at different times.

In 1885 Judge Fimple was elected a member of the Ohio legislature and so satisfactory was his service that in 1887 he was re-elected. In 1889 he was appointed law clerk in the department of the interior at Washington, D. C., serving during the Harrison administration, and during the McKinley administration was an attorney in the office of the assistant attorney-general for the department of the interior. In 1903 he was appointed assistant United States land commissioner and while filling that position was actively identified with and rendered valuable assistance in the prosecution of the western land fraud cases. He resigned that position in 1906 and returned to the private practice of his profession in Carrollton. In 1910 he was elected judge of the common pleas court of what, under the old state constitution, was the Stark, Carroll and Columbiana district, holding court in Carrollton, Lisbon and Canton. He discharged his judicial duties with ability and distinction for four and a half years and on May 7, 1915, resigned from the bench to become a partner in the firm of Lynch, Day & Fimple, which now is Lynch, Day, Fimple, Pontius & Lynch. He is widely recognized as an able, resourceful and dependable lawyer, commands a large and representative clientele and enjoys the unqualified respect of all who know him. The Judge has also been active in business affairs, as one of the organizers of the Carroll County Telephone Company and the Cummings Trust Company of Carrollton, and a director of the First Trust and Savings Bank of Canton.

In December, 1888, Judge Fimple was united in marriage to Miss Ida J. Patterson, of Pattersonville, Ohio, who died in 1894, leaving two daughters, Marie, who is the wife of Jack Fishell, of Canton, and Bessie, the wife of John C. Morgan, of Syracuse, New York. Judge Fimple has attained the Knight Templar degree in Masonry; is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, Knights of Pythias, and belongs to the Canton Club, the Congress Lake Club and the Lake-

side Shrine Club. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He is a member of the Presbyterian church at Carrollton. He stands as a worthy and notable member of a striking group of public men whose influence on the civic life as well as in professional circles of this state has been of a most beneficent order, and throughout the range of his acquaintance he is held in the highest esteem.

GEORGE CLINTON BAXLEY

One of the most successful life insurance men of Stark county is George C. Baxley, of Alliance, who through his diligence and persistent efforts has built up a large business, and at the same time has gained a high reputation for his honorable and reliable methods. Mr. Baxley was born in Lisbon, Columbiana county, Ohio, July 7, 1878, and is a son of William H. and Catherine (Underwood) Baxley. He is descended from old Maryland stock, his paternal great-grandfather, Henry Baxley, who was of English and Scotch ancestry, having been born in Baltimore, of which city he was a lifelong resident. He was a lawyer by profession and was also a landowner and slaveholder. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. His brother, Captain Baxley, furnished the provisions for the garrison at Fort McHenry while it was being besieged by the British. Henry Baxley was the father of George Baxley, who was born in Baltimore, whence he came to Ohio, locating at Raymond, Union county, where he engaged in the practice of law. He was successful and became the owner of one thousand acres of land, also owning the first mill built in that section. He was a democrat, served for a number of years as justice of the peace, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Miss Mary Griffith, of English and Scotch descent, who was born in Baltimore, Maryland, and died in Raymond, Ohio, in 1861. They became the parents of William H. Baxley, who was born in Baltimore, Maryland, in May 1835, and died in Lisbon, Ohio, May 8, 1902, at the age of sixty-seven years. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having responded to President Lincoln's second call for troops, and served with Com-

pany A, First Ohio Regiment of Volunteer Cavalry, until the end of the war. He was a saddler and harnessmaker by trade, was a member of the Christian church and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, March 24, 1841, and died at the home of her son in Alliance, in December, 1918. She was a daughter of George and Matilda (Britton) Underwood, who lived near Rogers, Columbiana county, Ohio. Her father followed the occupation of farming, was a republican in his political affiliation and was a member of the Friends church.

George C. Baxley secured his educational training in the public schools of Lisbon and while attending school also learned the trade of pad-making in A. Arter's harness and saddlery shop. On leaving school he took up the study of stenography under Miss Alice Glenn, the court reporter of Columbiana county, after which he became a public stenographer in Lisbon, where he also took up the life insurance business. In September, 1906, Mr. Baxley came to Alliance and went to work in the order department of the McCaskey Register Company. In 1917 he was made sales manager of that corporation, in which capacity he served for nine months, after which he entered the employ of the American Steel Foundries Company as a storekeeper. Eighteen months later he resigned that position in order to accept the secretaryship of the Chamber of Commerce, in which office he served for two years and two months. He then entered the life insurance business, in which he has continued to the present time and in which success has crowned his efforts.

On January 9, 1902, in Lisbon, Ohio, Mr. Baxley was united in marriage to Miss Eva Leona Jackson, who was born in Hanoverton, Ohio, December 23, 1878, a daughter of D. H. and Kitty F. (Brown) Jackson. Her father was born at Mt. Jackson, Pennsylvania, and served for many years in the railway postal service but is now retired, living in Lisbon, Ohio. He is a member of the Christian church and supports the republican party. His wife is a native of Hanoverton, Ohio, and on December 25, 1927, they celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding, on which occasion there were present all of their children and grandchildren, none having died. Mrs. Baxley graduated from the Lisbon high school and attended the Pittsburgh School of Music and the Cleveland School of Music, after which she taught music in Lisbon prior to her marriage. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern

Star, the Alliance Women's Club, the Mt. Union College Women's Club and the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, in Canton.

In politics Mr. Baxley has always been a republican, while fraternally he is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland, and also belongs to the Alliance Country Club, the Rotary Club and other local organizations. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Christian church and give their support to all worthy causes and enterprises calculated to advance the general interests of the community. Mr. Baxley's record as a business man and citizen has been a creditable one and he is well worthy of the high place which he holds in public confidence and esteem.

GEORGE STUART HACKETT, M. D.

Dr. George S. Hackett, of Canton, who has risen to a place in the front rank of his profession and commands a large and remunerative practice, was born in Uniontown, Belmont county, Ohio, January 14, 1888, and is a son of George Stuart and Lizzie Agnes Hackett. His father, of English lineage, was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania, served for many years as a minister of the Presbyterian church, and died in 1924, in the sixty-ninth year of his age, while his wife, who is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, was born in Connellsville, Pennsylvania, and is now residing in Canton, Ohio.

Dr. Hackett secured his elementary education in the public schools of various localities where his father served as pastor, having lived successively at Uniontown and Apple Creek, Ohio, Murrysville, Fayette City and Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. After completing the public school course, he entered Winona Academy, from which he was graduated in 1908, and then pursued his classical studies in Wooster College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912. He matriculated in the medical school of Cornell University, was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1916, and at once went to England, where he joined the medical corps of the army, and was assigned to the London base

hospital. In 1918 he was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, with which he served until 1919, when he was honorably discharged. He now holds a captain's commission in the Medical Reserve Corps. On returning from France, Dr. Hackett came to Canton and engaged in the active practice of medicine and surgery in association with Dr. H. M. Schuffell and quickly gained recognition as a learned and skillful practitioner. He is a member of the surgical staff of Mercy Hospital, and of the board of the Stark County Savings & Loan Company.

On November 24, 1917, in Canton, Dr. Hackett was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Gans Krichbaum, who was born at East Sparta, Ohio, May 31, 1891, and is a daughter of Judge Charles and Lizzie (Gans) Krichbaum. Mrs. Hackett is a member of the College Club, the Women's Club and the Junior Service Club. Dr. and Mrs. Hackett are the parents of two children, George Stuart, Jr., born March 21, 1919, and Mary Elizabeth, born January 25, 1922. The Doctor is independent in his political attitude, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Beta Theta Pi college fraternity, the Nu Sigma Nu medical fraternity, the American College of Surgeons, the University Club, the Canton Club, the Brookside Country Club and the Lakeside Shrine Club. His religious connection is with the Presbyterian church. Devoted to his profession, of which he is a constant student, and actuated by a genuine sympathy for the sick and suffering, he has won the respect and confidence of all who have employed him, while throughout the range of his acquaintance he is held in high regard.

CHARLES O. FINEFROCK

One of the most prominent figures in the commercial and civic affairs of Massillon is Charles O. Finefrock, who conducts a large and prosperous furniture business at 641 West Main street. He has not only shown exceptional ability in the management of his business, but in matters affecting the public welfare has been a tireless and effective worker. Mr. Finefrock was born near Waynesburg, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 16th of October, 1879,

and is a son of Emanuel and Rebecca Jane (Robertson) Finefrock, who were pioneer settlers in that locality. He completed the public school course and worked on the home farm for a while, then attended normal school, after which he taught school for four years. In 1902 he and his brother, J. E. Finefrock, engaged in the furniture business, establishing a large store at Canal Fulton, and Charles O. Finefrock, who resided in Massillon, sold furniture extensively from the Canal Fulton store. In April, 1926, they established the business in Massillon, opening the largest store building in the city, and carried on the enterprise together until January, 1927, when the partnership was dissolved and Charles O. Finefrock assumed entire control of the business. He carries a complete stock of all kinds of furniture and house furnishings, which he displays in an attractive manner, and his trade is showing a steady and substantial growth.

On June 16, 1909, Mr. Finefrock was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Leibenguth, of Canton, and they are the parents of two children, Charles and Mary Louise. He votes with the republican party and has been very active in local public and civic affairs. He has served as a member of the board of education, is a past director of the Chamber of Commerce and is president of the Young Men's Christian Association. He has established a high reputation as a collector of funds for civic, charitable and social agencies, as well as community chest drives, and has been a leader in the various movements calculated to promote the public welfare. He is a member of the Lutheran church and commands the respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

WALLACE S. FOULKE, M. D.

Dr. Wallace S. Foulke, who holds a place in the front rank of the able and successful physicians and surgeons of Stark county, was born in Salem, Columbiana county, Ohio, June 1, 1875, and is a son of Marion C. and Frances A. (Lower) Foulke. The family is of Scotch-Irish descent and was founded in this country by the Doctor's great-great-grandfather, Lafayette Foulke, who came to America in the latter part of the eighteenth century and settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He became the father of

James W. Foulke, who subsequently came to Ohio, and in this state was born his son, Lafayette Foulke, Jr., who became one of the early settlers of Columbiana county, where he engaged in farming and stock-raising. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served throughout that struggle as a first lieutenant in the One Hundred and Fifteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He married Miss Nancy Whiteleather, whose family also settled in Columbiana county in a very early day, and they became the parents of Marion C. Foulke, who was born at Moultrie, Columbiana county, May 15, 1852. He was reared and educated there and at the age of thirteen years began teaching, which he followed for nine years in his home county. He then entered the Wooster Medical College, in Cleveland, was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1874, and located in Canton, where he successfully practiced his profession for thirty-five years, his death occurring in 1921, at the age of sixty-nine. He was a republican in his political affiliation and was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. Frances A. (Lower) Foulke was born July 4, 1856, at New Alexander, Ohio, a daughter of Michael and Nancy (Smith) Lower, and is now a resident of Canton. To Dr. and Mrs. Foulke were born two children, Wallace S. and Anna M., deceased.

Wallace S. Foulke attended the public schools of Canton, graduating from high school, and then matriculated in Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, winning the M. D. degree in 1897. He served one year as interne in the Pennsylvania Hospital, in that city, after which he returned to Canton, and has since been engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery. He keeps in close touch with the latest advances in the healing art and in 1919 took a postgraduate course at the Mayo Clinic, at Rochester, Minnesota. He is a member of the Canton Medical Library Society, the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He served during the Spanish-American and World wars as a member of the medical examining boards, and is now physician to the Stark County Home.

On June 29, 1899, in Canton, Dr. Foulke was united in marriage to Miss Florence M. Rockhill, who was born near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Samuel H. and Margaret H. (King) Rockhill, both now deceased. Mrs. Foulke is a member of the Trinity Lutheran church and the Canton Woman's Club. Dr.

and Mrs. Foulke are the parents of a son, Marion R., who was born on March 6, 1904. Dr. Foulke is a republican, interested in the welfare of his community. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter, No. 60, R. A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks; the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Loyal Order of Moose; the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club. His religious connection is with the First Methodist Episcopal church. A man of high professional attainments, sterling qualities and cordial and unaffected in manner, he has won a host of warm and loyal friends throughout this community and commands the respect of all.

GEORGE W. MONNOT

One of the notable commercial enterprises of Canton is that of the Lincoln and Ford automobile agency of Monnot & Sacher, which was established in 1905. The business occupies one entire city block of floor space and is one of the foremost agencies of the state. Its development is due to the close application, progressive spirit and well formulated plans of Mr. Monnot and his partner and its constant expansion is the tangible evidence of business qualities of superior order. Mr. Monnot was born in Canton, September 29, 1878, and is a son of Charles D. and Catherine (Vignos) Monnot, both of whom have passed away. The Monnot family was among the first settlers of Louisville, Stark county. The family is of French origin and was founded in America by Joseph Monnot, a native of France, who in the early part of the nineteenth century, about 1837, conducted a stage coach tavern at Louisville on the main trail leading to Pittsburgh. Charles D. Monnot was also born in France but was a babe in arms when brought to America by his parents. He was reared and educated in Stark county and continued his residence in Louisville until the early '70s. For many years he was identified with the Aultman Company and was widely and favorably known in this section of the state. A stanch democrat, he was very active in politics and filled a number of city offices, including that of councilman and member of the water works board. In the latter connection he did important



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work, being one of the prime factors in the drilling of wells and in promoting the present modern waterworks system of Canton. A Roman Catholic in religious faith, he was a communicant of St. John's church and he died in Canton in 1910, at the age of seventy-two years. His wife, a native of Louisville, Stark county, was a daughter of Joseph A. Vignos, a representative of one of the old pioneer families of Louisville. Mrs. Monnot became the mother of six children, three sons and three daughters, all of whom, with the exception of one daughter, died in infancy. The mother passed away in 1911.

George W. Monnot obtained his early education in St. John's school and also attended the public schools of Canton to the age of fourteen years, when he started out to earn his own livelihood. He was first employed by the Aultman Company, serving an apprenticeship and thoroughly learning the machinist's trade, which he then followed as a journeyman for a period of five years. At the end of that time he entered upon the manufacture of bicycles in connection with his father and brother under the firm name of Charles D. Monnot & Sons, their business being located at 811 North Cleveland avenue, where they successfully operated until 1905. George W. Monnot then entered the automobile business at 305 South Market avenue, becoming one of the first Ford distributors in the state of Ohio. He has since continued to handle this car and has always found a ready sale, building up a business of extensive and gratifying proportions. He has also handled the Rambler car, now the Nash, also the Jeffery car, and at the present time he is distributor for both the Ford and Lincoln cars—the output of the great Ford plant at Detroit. He is a past president of the Canton Automobile Dealers Association and it is characteristic of him that he has ever been ready to aid his competitors through advice and through the dissemination of knowledge as to the best selling methods.

On the 11th of November, 1912, Mr. Monnot was married in Canton to Miss Alice D. Hossler, who was born in Huntington, Indiana, and is a daughter of Martin and Barbara (Scheiber) Hossler. The father was of German descent and a representative of one of the old families of Stark county. Mr. and Mrs. Monnot have become parents of four children: George E., Richard J., Barbara L. and Joan M., all of whom were born in Canton. The family resides at No. 221 Eighteenth street, northwest. Both

Mr. and Mrs. Monnot are active workers in St. John's Roman Catholic church. She also takes a prominent part in social activities of the city and is a member of the Canton Women's Club and the Canton Hospital Circle. Mr. Monnot holds membership in the Knights of Columbus and both he and his wife are identified with the Brookside Country Club. He also belongs to the Canton Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce and he is identified with the Better Business Bureau. In a word, he is keenly and helpfully interested in everything that pertains to the welfare and progress of the city and his cooperation can at all times be counted upon to further any plan or measure for the general good. He finds his diversion in golf and hunting and is a lover of all outdoor sports, but he never allows these to interfere with the conduct of his commercial interests. His business is situated at the corner of Market avenue and Sixth street, southwest, where, occupying an entire city block of floor space, he has developed an enterprise of mammoth proportions. He deserves much credit for what he has accomplished, for he started out in the business world without financial aid soon after entering his teens and has steadily worked his way upward through determination and ability until he is now numbered among the foremost business men of his native city.

EDWIN H. PILLE

Edwin H. Pille, who recently retired from the shoe business, with which he had been actively and continuously identified for half a century, has long been regarded as one of Massillon's representative citizens and none stands higher in public esteem than he. Born in this city on the 5th of November, 1865, he is a son of Herman H. and Frances (Norbeck) Pille, the former a pioneer shoe merchant here. Edwin H. Pille attended the public schools, but at an early age began to learn the shoemaking trade. In his thirteenth year he went into his father's store, with which he remained in association with his father until the latter's death, on January 1, 1918, after which Mr. Pille continued alone until 1928, when, having amassed a competency, he closed out the business in order that he might enjoy well earned leisure. This old store, which had been in existence for seventy-two years, was one of the landmarks

of this city and always enjoyed marked popularity with the buying public, owing to the sound and honorable principles which characterized its management.

On June 22, 1898, Mr. Pille was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Maud Valleley, of Canton, a daughter of James and Elizabeth (Patterson) Valleley, well known pioneers of that city. To Mr. and Mrs. Pille have been born two children: Frances, who is the wife of Walter E. Shively, of Akron, Ohio, and the mother of two children, William Edwin and Robert Richard; and Richard Edwin, who graduated in 1928 from Harvard University, where he made an enviable scholastic record. Mr. Pille maintains an independent attitude in political affairs, voting always in accordance with the dictates of his judgment as to men and measures. He is a member of the Massillon City Club and the Brookside Country Club. While he has devoted his efforts closely to his business interests, he has also given freely of his time, means and influence in the promotion of the best interests of the community along material, civic and moral lines and has been loyal and true in every relation of life. Owing to his probity of character, his genuine worth and his kindly and genial manner, he commands the respect and friendship of his fellowmen and stands among the substantial and uniformly respected citizens of the community.

ELLWYN C. ROBERTS

One of the leading real estate and insurance concerns in Stark county is the E. C. Roberts Agency Company, of Canton, of which Ellwyn C. Roberts is the owner. He was born in Willoughby, Lake county, Ohio, May 24, 1878, a son of William B. and Olive A. (Whitney) Roberts. The family has long been established in this country and tradition states that one of its members participated in the war of the Revolution. From Vermont the family moved to New York and in 1840 Mr. Roberts' grandfather, Joel Roberts, came to Ohio, settling in Lake county. In Willoughby, that county, William B. Roberts was born June 3, 1846, and was there reared and educated. He learned the trade of pattern-making and during his active life was engaged in various phases of the woodworking industry. At the age of eighteen he enlisted in the One Hundred

and Seventy-seventh Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served about eighteen months in the Civil war, in which conflict his five brothers also served. In his political views he was independent, while his religious belief was that of the Universalist church. His death occurred October 17, 1905, at the age of fifty-nine years. Olive (Whitney) Roberts was born October 5, 1845, in Columbia, Pennsylvania, and was a daughter of Rev. H. S. and Elizabeth (Morse) Whitney. The Whitney family, which was established in this country prior to the Revolutionary war, is of English origin, the ancestral line being traced back to the time of the battle of Hastings in 1066. Mrs. Roberts' parents were related to Eli Whitney, the inventor of the cotton gin, and to Samuel B. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph. She died July 30, 1905, at the age of sixty years. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts had four children, of whom three survive: Ellwyn C.; Edith M., who resides in Canton; and Rev. Ruel W., a minister of the Congregational church at Ravenna, Nebraska. He is a graduate of Oberlin College, from which he received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity.

Ellwyn C. Roberts attended the public schools of Willoughby, graduating from high school in 1895, and then entered Oberlin College, from which he won the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1902, also receiving his Master's degree from that institution in 1903. He engaged in teaching school, serving as instructor one year each in Lake Erie College, at Painesville, Ohio, the high school at Akron, Ohio, and the Canton high school. He then entered the employ of the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company, at Akron, with which he continued in a clerical capacity for five years, after which he accepted a position as manager of the labor and timekeeping department of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, at Akron, where he remained five years. The following year he engaged in the life insurance business in that city, and in February, 1916, came to Canton, where, in partnership with ex-Sheriff Adam W. Oberlin, he engaged in the real estate and insurance business. One year later Mr. Roberts bought his partner's interest, has since conducted the business under the name of the E. C. Roberts Agency Company. Mr. Roberts was one of the incorporators of the Budget Plan Finance Company, of which he is a director and secretary.

On June 28, 1906, in Canton, Mr. Roberts was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Oberlin, a daughter of Adam W. and Marietta (Gans) Oberlin, and they have become the parents of four

children: Oliver, born February 8, 1908, is a student in Oberlin College; Frederick, born April 12, 1911, is attending the McKinley high school; Addison was born November 15, 1917; and Eleanor, born July 30, 1920, died July 19, 1923. In his political views Mr. Roberts is a republican on national issues, while in local elections he maintains an independent attitude. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Orchard Hill Country Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Canton Real Estate Board, of which he was president in 1923. He and his wife are earnest members of Trinity Reformed church. He has been, in the strictest sense, the architect of his own fortune, for the success which has come to him has been gained through his persistent efforts and because he has been true to the highest ideals in business, civic and social life he commands to a marked degree the confidence and respect of all who know him.

IRVING FERRELL

One of Massillon's most highly regarded business men is Irving Ferrell, who for many years has been identified with the insurance business and other lines of effort, in which he has met with well merited success, while in the sphere of citizenship he has exemplified the highest attributes. Mr. Ferrell was born on a farm in Ashland county, Ohio, on the 3d of February, 1872, and is the youngest of the ten children, five of whom are living, of John and Eliza (Gries) Ferrell, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania. Irving Ferrell secured his education in the public and high schools of Ashland, and was variously employed for a while. His first work of importance was in the life insurance business in Massillon, in which he continued actively for thirty-five years, and to which he still gives some attention. During the period of his residence in this city he has been identified with a number of business enterprises and has won a reputation as a safe and dependable man in anything which he undertakes.

On September 7, 1895, Mr. Ferrell was united in marriage to Miss Villa Emma Gaddis, of Massillon but a native of Brookfield, and to them have been born five children, namely: Glenn Eugene, Claude M., Vera R. and Gertrude E., all of whom are liv-

ing, and Cleela, who was accidentally killed in 1910. Mr. Ferrell is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and his religious connection is with the Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal church. He is a democrat in his political affiliation and has long been active in local public affairs. He was elected mayor of Massillon in 1925 and during his administration of two years gave a high type of service to his city, devoting his efforts to the advancement of the community along all lines. He took an active and effective part in the Massillon Centennial of 1926 and as mayor contributed materially to the success of the celebration. He stands a man among men, and because of his fine public spirit and his sterling personal qualities is not only highly respected, but enjoys marked popularity throughout the community honored by his citizenship.

EDWARD C. TAGGART

The oldest plumber in Massillon in point of years of service is Edward C. Taggart, who has commanded his full share of the local business in his line and has realized a splendid measure of success, due to the uniformly high quality of his work and his honorable business methods. Mr. Taggart was born in Akron, Ohio, July 27, 1871, and is a son of Major E. F. and Sarah E. (Brown) Taggart, the latter now deceased. His father had a noteworthy military career during the Civil war and has since been very prominent in the activities of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is still living in Akron.

Edward C. Taggart secured a good public school education and was first employed as a printer on the old Akron Beacon. Thirty-seven years ago he started to learn the plumbing business, at which he worked two years in Akron, and then came to Massillon, where he has been in the plumbing business continuously for thirty-five years. He was at first associated with W. H. McLain, whose father sold his business to them, and one and a half years later Mr. Taggart bought out his partner and has since been sole owner. During this period he has successfully handled some of the largest plumbing jobs in Massillon, but in later years he has given the major portion of his attention to the retail fixture trade.

On March 25, 1895, Mr. Taggart was united in marriage to

Miss Lily M. Herrold, of Akron. He is a staunch republican in his political views and is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Business Men's Association. His support may always be counted upon to promote the best interests of the community and he has in every relation of life shown himself well worthy of the confidence and respect of his fellowmen, for he has adhered closely to the highest commercial ethics and has dealt squarely with all men.

REV. PEARL H. WELSHIMER, D. D.

Dr. Pearl H. Welshimer, pastor of the First Christian church in Canton, has gained wide recognition as an able and forceful preacher, a faithful and effective pastor and a loyal and public-spirited citizen, and to a marked degree commands the admiration and respect of the people of this city. He was born in York, Ohio, April 6, 1873, a son of Samuel and Louise (Wilson) Welshimer. His father, who was of German and Scotch descent, was born at Amanda, Ohio, April 25, 1851, and his mother, whose antecedents were Scotch, English and Irish, was born at West Liberty, Ohio, January 27, 1848. Pearl H. Welshimer spent his boyhood days in York and West Mansfield, Ohio, graduating from the high school at the latter place, and in 1891 entered Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1894, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, receiving also the same degree from Hiram College, which he attended from 1894 to 1897. In 1926 he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Butler University, at Indianapolis, Indiana. He was ordained to the ministry of the Christian church in 1897 and accepted the pastorate of the church at Millersburg, where he served until 1902, when he came to his present church, to which he has ministered ever since. The church has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth under his pastorate, while all of its departments have functioned in a very effective manner.

On May 15, 1900, in Vermillion, Ohio, Dr. Welshimer was united in marriage to Miss Clara C. Harnig, who was born in Sandusky, Ohio, August 10, 1873, a daughter of Jacob and Katherine Harnig, both of whom were born in Germany and are now de-

ceased. Dr. and Mrs. Welshimer are the parents of three children: Helen L., who is a graduate of Hiram College, took postgraduate work at Columbia University, New York city, and is now a feature writer on the Canton Daily News; Mildred, who graduated from Hiram College, is now teaching English in the John H. Lehman high school, Canton; and Ralph is a junior in Hiram College. Helen's newspaper work has attracted considerable attention and received distinctive recognition at the meeting of the Ohio Newspaper Woman's Association at Toledo, in November, 1927, when she took three prizes and four honorable mentions for material submitted in competition with other Ohio newspaper women, the largest number won by any delegate at the convention. Her victories were registered in the best story written concerning a railroad, the best narrative written in poetic form and an intimate article concerning a small town newspaper. The material was judged by Marlin E. Pew, editor of *Editor and Publisher*, the leading professional newspaper journal of the country.

Dr. Welshimer is a member of several college and missionary boards and is prominent in the councils of his church. An able sermonizer and eloquent preacher, he attracts large congregations, and is one of the popular clergymen in Canton. He gives his political support to the republican party and during all the years of his residence here has shown a deep interest in everything relating to the welfare of the community. Dr. Welshimer is the author of a book on Bible school work, known as "The Bible School Vision," and a book of sermons under the title "Welshimer's Sermons." He has been contributing editor of the *Lookout*, published in Cincinnati, for sixteen years, and is the author of many tracts on Biblical subjects.

CHARLES F. DICK

Charles F. Dick, secretary and treasurer of the Dick Manufacturing Company, of Canton, is connected with one of the important industrial concerns of Stark county, and for many years has been an important factor in its successful operation. He was born in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, December 18, 1873, a son of Joseph and Rosana (McKittrick) Dick. His paternal grandparents were Jo-

seph and Mary (Measmer) Dick, the latter of French descent. Joseph Dick was a native of Alsace-Lorraine, whence he emigrated to America during the latter part of the eighteenth century and became a pioneer settler in Stark county, where he followed agricultural pursuits and blacksmithing. His son Joseph was born in Jackson township, Stark county, June 25, 1840, and was here reared and educated. About 1862 he moved to Canada, where for a number of years he was employed as a modelmaker in wood and iron products. In May, 1874, he returned to his native county, locating in Canton, where he engaged in manufacturing, and from a modest beginning at that time has grown the great business which still bears his name, and which is the largest of its kind in Ohio. In April, 1909, the business was incorporated as the Joseph Dick Manufacturing Company, of which Mr. Dick was the first president, serving until his death, which occurred on March 31, 1924, when he was succeeded in the presidency by J. H. Gingrich, who is still the executive head of the business. Frank J. Dick is vice president and assistant manager and Charles F. Dick is secretary and treasurer. The company is engaged in the manufacture of feed and ensilage cutting machines and gray iron castings of every description, the products being sold in all parts of the world. The plant is located at 1413 Tuscarawas street west, where it covers approximately two acres of ground, and employs from one hundred and twenty-five to one hundred and fifty workmen. Rosana (McKittrick) Dick was born at Saranac, New York, June 24, 1844, and was a daughter of Patrick and Mary (McNamara) McKittrick, the former of Scotch extraction, while the latter was a native of Ireland. Mrs. Dick died in Canton, February 12, 1914. To Mr. and Mrs. Dick were born six children, three sons and three daughters: Amelia Mary, the wife of George Murray, of Los Angeles, California; William J., deceased; Charles F.; Frank J., vice president of the Dick Manufacturing Company; Agnes T., wife of Ferd J. Zettler, of Los Angeles, California; and Laura L., the wife of Walter L. Schwertner, of Canton.

Charles F. Dick attended the public and high schools of Canton, to which city the family returned when he was about one year old, and he then entered Dayton University. On leaving college he entered his father's business, with which he has been identified continuously, and is devoting practically his entire time and attention to it. He has gained a well earned reputation as an able and de-

pendable business man and commands the respect of all who come in contact with him.

On May 31, 1897, in Canton, Mr. Dick was united in marriage to Miss Alice Santry, who was born in Youngstown, Mahoning county, Ohio, a daughter of J. J. and Alice (McAlester) Santry, the former a representative of one of Canton's old and well known families. Mr. and Mrs. Dick are the parents of four children, Joseph C., Eugene F., Gertrude M. and Charles A. Mr. Dick gives his political support to the democratic party and has been an active supporter of those things which have been calculated to promote the city's welfare and prosperity. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and he and his wife belong to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. He gives generously to all worthy causes and is known as a public spirited and broad minded citizen, well worthy of the confidence and respect which are accorded him by his fellowmen.

WALTER J. WEBER

Walter J. Weber, who is one of the leading general masonry contractors in Stark county, has attained an eminent place in the business world and has been more than ordinarily successful in his material affairs, while in the sphere of private citizenship he commands the respect of his fellowmen because of his public-spirited interest in the welfare and progress of his community. Mr. Weber was born at Dover, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, May 22, 1885, and is a son of John and Catherine (Hambach) Weber, also natives of that county. Mr. Weber's paternal grandparents were natives of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and the maternal grandparents also were natives of the fatherland.

Mr. Weber secured his education in St. Peter's parochial school in Canton and then went to work for the Canton Malleable Iron Works, with which he remained one year. He was with the Gilliam Manufacturing Company for a time, and then gave his attention for a while to the tinning trade with R. E. Mallory, of Canton, but the work did not appeal to him and he started to learn the stonemason trade with Martin Weiler, of this city, with whom he remained four years. Then, having completed his apprenticeship,



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Mr. Weber went to St. Louis, Missouri, where he was employed at his trade, but later returned to Canton and for about a year worked for Gonder Brothers. His next move was to Buffalo, New York, where he worked at the New York state steel plant, being employed to build two stacks, on the completion of which he returned to Canton and reentered the employ of the man with whom he had learned his trade. He served as foreman for Mr. Weiler from 1910 to 1917, when he entered into a partnership with his brother, Charles Weber, under the firm name of Weber & Weber, and engaged in the general masonry contracting business. About a year later he bought his brother's interest and has continued the business to the present time under his own name. He has a complete and modern equipment, including hoisting machinery and everything necessary in carrying on the business, and is recognized throughout this part of the state as one of the most capable and reliable contractors in his line. He has done a large amount of construction work and, being an expert mason, is thorough and painstaking in everything he undertakes.

On November 5, 1908, in Canton, Mr. Weber was united in marriage to Miss Beatrice P. Agler, who was born at Walnut, Bureau county, Illinois, June 18, 1886, and is a daughter of Hamot and Mary Emma (Schweitzer) Agler, the former born at Wilmot, Ohio, and the latter at Walnut, Illinois. Mrs. Weber's paternal grandparents were born respectively in Maryland and Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, while on the maternal side she is of Swiss descent. Mrs. Weber has been actively interested in local social, civic and church affairs, being a member of the Sorosis Club, the La Porte Ouverte Club, and an associate member of the McDowell Club. She was the first president of the W. V. W. W. class of Grace Reformed church of Canton and is now president of the missionary society of her church. Mr. and Mrs. Weber are the parents of two children: Owen Joseph, born July 2, 1910, is attending the McKinley high school, and Anne Catherine, born July 1, 1914, is in the eighth grade at the Lehman school in this city.

Mr. Weber gives his political support to the democratic party and is a member of Lathrop Lodge, No. 676, F. & A. M.; in the Scottish Rite holds membership in Emeth Lodge of Perfection (fourteenth degree), Mystic Council, Princes of Jerusalem (sixteenth degree), Brenton Chapter, Rose Croix (eighteenth degree), all of Canton, and Cleveland Consistory (thirty-second degree),

in Cleveland. He belongs to Canton Lodge, K. P.; the Canton Lions Club, the Sippo Lake Country Club and the Canton Masonic Insurance Society. He also belongs to the Builders Exchange of Canton, of which he was a director for seven years and is a past president; the Mason Contractors Association of Canton, of which he has been president for six years; the Mason Contractors of the United States and Canada, of which he is vice president of Ohio at present; and the Bricklayers Union, of which he was president in 1909, and has served on all of its committees. At the present time Mr. Weber is actively interested in establishing a school for the teaching of the bricklaying trade, with part time work with pay, so that the students may be in a measure self supporting. This is a laudable movement and is receiving much attention in the building circles of this city. Mr. Weber is one of the foremost figures in the business world of Stark county and through his activities has not only achieved individual success, but has also contributed in substantial measure to the upbuilding and progress of his community. He is a man of splendid personal qualities, big hearted and generous, possessing those sterling qualities of manhood which compel admiration and respect.

OSCAR F. KWETT

To Oscar F. Kwett belongs the distinction of being the pioneer in the photo-engraving business in Stark county and the notable success which has crowned his efforts is the result of his technical knowledge, his business ability and his indomitable spirit. The Northern Engraving Company has well earned its present place as the leading concern in its line in this section of the state and is one of Canton's most important industries. Mr. Kwett was born in Chicago, Illinois, May 1, 1875, and is a son of Franz and Joanna (Broehling) Kwett. The family name is of Polish origin and signifies "flower." Franz Kwett was born April 18, 1844, in Bramburg, Germany, where he was reared and educated, and his wife was a native of Gerstau, on the Vistula river, in what is now Poland, where she was born August 24, 1843. In 1874 Mr. and Mrs. Kwett emigrated to the United States and located in Chicago, where he followed the baker's trade, his death occurring in Sep-

tember, 1919, at the age of seventy-five years. He was a veteran of the Franco-Prussian war. To him and his wife were born five children: Oscar F.; Olga, deceased; Alexander, of Chicago; Paul, deceased; and Frank John, of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Oscar F. Kwett secured his education in the Newberry public school in Chicago and at the age of fourteen years started out to earn his livelihood, his first employment being with the Fuchs & Lang Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, a lithographers' supply house. Later he learned the engraving trade with the Franklin Engraving & Electrotyping Company, one of the largest establishments of its kind in the middle west, and after completing his apprenticeship worked as a journeyman three years. In 1891 he came to Ohio, locating in Akron, where he worked for the Case Engraving Company for a time, and then went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and for three years was with the Beck Engraving Company, after which he returned to Chicago and became a salesman for the Franklin Engraving Company, which work he followed for three years. On March 1, 1906, Mr. Kwett came to Canton and organized the Northern Engraving Company, to which he has since closely devoted his attention. He began here in a small way, employing five workmen, but during the subsequent years the business has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth, due to the uniformly high quality of the work and the sound principles on which the business has been conducted, until today fifty highly skilled men are employed and the Northern Engraving Company commands a large share of the engraving business throughout Ohio, western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The company specializes in commercial art, photography and photo-engraving, including color process plates. The plant utilizes fifteen thousand square feet of space and its equipment is modern in every respect. Its entire output bears the stamp of an earnest desire and determination to give to its patrons the very highest type of service, which has been the dominating note of its business management.

On August 12, 1912, in New Rochelle, New York, Mr. Kwett was united in marriage to Miss Mabel H. Dietz, who was born in Liverpool, New York, and is a daughter of George and Mary (Hough) Dietz, the latter a member of a family of German origin, but long established in New York state. Mr. and Mrs. Kwett are the parents of two children, Frank Parmalee, born January 25, 1915, and Alan Woodford, December 8, 1918. In his political

views Mr. Kwett is a republican and he has been actively interested in public affairs related to the welfare and progress of his home community. He is a director of the Canton Men's Better Business Bureau, a director of the Canton Advertising Club, a director of the Central States Photo-Engravers Association, a member of the American Photo-Engravers Association, of which he was chairman of the publicity committee and has been secretary and treasurer since 1922, and is a director of the Guild Travel Bureau of Chicago. He has been active in the Canton Chamber of Commerce and has always stood ready to cooperate in all movements for the advancement of the material, civic or moral interests of the city. Some years ago he was appointed to the Canton good roads committee by the chamber of commerce and was its chairman, this committee being affiliated with the Stark county good roads council, of which he was chairman two and one-half years. He has been very active in all good roads movements of this part of Ohio. Mr. Kwett is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland, and Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E. He has been a member of the Canton Rotary Club since 1915, belongs also to the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club. His religious connection is with the First Presbyterian church, of which he is a trustee. During the World war he was active in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, serving as a team captain, and also did effective work as a Four-minute speaker. He stands a man among men, loyal and true in every relation of life, and no resident of Canton commands to a greater degree the unqualified confidence and respect of the people.

HON. ROBERT S. SHIELDS

Among the citizens of Stark county who stand as distinguished types of the world's workers is numbered Judge Robert S. Shields, who for nearly two decades has rendered signal service on the bench of the court of appeals of the fifth judicial district, while in matters affecting the public welfare he has never been found wanting in interest or effective effort. Judge Shields was born in Washington, New Jersey, on the 28th of September, 1845, and is a son

of William and Anna (Hance) Shields, also natives of New Jersey and descended from early American families, the Shields family being originally of Scotch-Irish origin, while the Hance family was of German descent. William Shields devoted the major portion of his life to agricultural pursuits, but spent his later years in retirement. Politically he was a democrat and the family was identified with the Presbyterian church. They were the parents of eleven children, of whom but three survive, namely, Robert S.; Mrs. John Carr, of Hackettstown, New Jersey, and Mrs. William Stryker, of Washington, New Jersey.

Robert S. Shields received his elementary education in the public schools of New Hampton and Hackettstown, New Jersey, and attended a college preparatory school at Allentown, Pennsylvania. He then entered Union College, at Schenectady, New York, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1867, later receiving the Master of Arts degree from his alma mater. He took up the study of law with E. W. Stoughton in New York city and in 1871 was admitted to the bar of Ohio, having also read law with Judge Joseph Hance, of New Philadelphia, Ohio. In that year he located in Canton, where he engaged in the general practice of his profession, and in the following year was elected mayor of Canton, serving two terms. Later he served two years as prosecuting attorney and was appointed by President Cleveland United States district attorney for the northern district of Ohio, in which position he served four years with ability and distinction. In 1910 he was elected to the bench of the court of appeals for the fifth judicial district of Ohio and so satisfactorily has he discharged his duties that he has been retained in that position to the present time.

On December 19, 1872, in Canton, Judge Shields was united in marriage to Miss Clara A. Wikidall, who was born in this city, September 28, 1845, and was a daughter of Martin and Fredricka (Shaeffer) Wikidall, the latter a sister of Louis Shaeffer, who was the head of one of Canton's prominent old families. Mrs. Wikidall was a pioneer of this city and lived to past ninety years of age. Mrs. Shields died in June, 1917, leaving a daughter, Mrs. Clara Schultz, who now lives with her father. Judge Shields has always supported the democratic party and in former years took an active part in political and public affairs. He is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the

Scottish Rite, as well as the York Rite, and also belongs to the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club. The family attend Trinity Lutheran church. A man of vigorous mentality and of the highest sense of honor, Judge Shields has given his best efforts to the discharge of duty, and his earnest life, high attainments and well rounded character have gained for him an exalted place in public esteem.

REV. OSCAR M. ADAM

In the front rank of the capable, devoted and successful ministers of the Gospel in Canton stands Rev. Oscar M. Adam, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, whose able preaching and effective pastoral work have gained distinctive recognition and wide appreciation. He was born in London, Madison county, Ohio, September 5, 1895, a son of Jacob and Ellanora (Dieckmann) Adam, the former born at Herxheim by Landau, Rheinpfalz, Germany, October 15, 1864, and the latter at Huntingburg, Indiana, March 13, 1870, being also of German parentage.

When Oscar M. Adam was about a year old his family moved to Cincinnati, and in the public schools of that city he secured his early education, attending the public schools for eight years, and the public night schools for six years, taking two years of book-keeping and business administration, one year of shorthand and typewriting and three years of high school academic work. He was employed as a newsboy from 1904 to 1909, after which for a short time he worked as a shoemaker's apprentice in his father's shop. From October, 1909, to March 31, 1910, he worked as an errand boy in a clothing store, and then entered the employ of the Carnegie Steel Company, working successively as office boy, file clerk, stenographer and correspondence and order clerk. On September 4, 1915, he resigned his position and, going to Delaware, Ohio, entered Ohio Wesleyan University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in June, 1919. During this period he enlisted for service in the World war and was in training at Camp Sherman from June 25 to December 15, 1918, when he was honorably discharged. He had previously made several unsuccessful attempts to enlist in the army and navy and on being drafted

and assigned to Camp Sherman he was made a first-class private and detailed for clerical duties. He was appointed corporal on August 17th and sergeant and company clerk on August 29th, and in November was appointed to the officers' training school, but this order was rescinded on the signing of the Armistice. During the school year 1919-20 Mr. Adam taught in the Harding high school, at Marion, Ohio, and then entered Garrett Biblical Institute, at Evanston, Illinois, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in September, 1922. Prior to entering the Methodist Episcopal church, in 1920, he had been a member of St. John's Evangelical Protestant church in Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati. He was ordained as deacon in the Methodist Episcopal church by Bishop Francis J. McConnell on September 25, 1922, and as elder by Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, September 14, 1924. He began preaching in 1920, serving the church at Arlington Heights, Illinois, from October to June 1st of the following year, and Glenview, Illinois, from June 1, 1921, to September 1, 1922, while during the latter period he also served as secretary of the Wilmette Country Club. In September, 1922, he was appointed to the pastorate of the Church Hill charge, near Youngstown, Ohio, having been admitted to the Northeast Ohio conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Mansfield, Ohio, and on February 1, 1925, became pastor of the south side church at New Philadelphia, Ohio, which he served until March 15, 1927, when he was appointed pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in Canton. He is a strong and forceful preacher, attracting large congregations, and is a zealous and faithful pastor, every interest of the church being stimulated under his example and wise supervision, so that he has won a warm place in the hearts of his people and commands the sincere respect of the entire community.

On July 12, 1918, at Delaware, Ohio, Rev. Adam was united in marriage to Miss Cecile Belle McCrosky, who was born in Rosewood, Champaign county, Ohio. She is a daughter of Manford and Victoria Elizabeth (Newcomb) McCrosky, the former born near Plymouth, Indiana, September 24, 1865, and the latter at Rosewood, Ohio, December 3, 1861, and both are now residing in Delaware, this state. Their son, Carl R. McCrosky, is professor of chemistry in Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York. Mrs. Adam was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1914, after which she taught school

until 1920, except one year while working out the Master of Arts degree, which she received from Ohio Wesleyan in 1917. She is a member of the College Club, the Monnett Club and the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary societies. Rev. and Mrs. Adam are the parents of two children, Carl Hamilton, who was born at Evanston, Illinois, September 18, 1921, and Norman Walker, born at Church Hill, Youngstown, Ohio, January 23, 1923. Rev. Adam gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a deep interest in everything affecting the civic or moral welfare of his community. He is a member of the board of directors of the Canton Urban League, and of the Good Will Union Mission, serves on the child welfare committee of the children's bureau of the Family Service Society, belongs to the Canton Civitan Club, and is a member of the Ohio Wesleyan Union, a local fraternity at Ohio Wesleyan University, and the Delta Sigma Rho, a national honorary forensic fraternity. A man of kindly and cordial manner, deeply concerned with the welfare and advancement of his fellowmen and loyal to the responsibilities and opportunities of his calling, he is well worthy of the esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

LESTER HENRY HOSSLER

Lester Henry Hossler, one of the able, wide-awake and successful attorneys of Canton, was born in this city on the 14th of January, 1895, and is a son of Henry W. and Sarah (DeWeese) Hossler. His paternal grandfather was George Hossler, a farmer and stock-raiser. Henry W. Hossler was born in Stark county and was descended from an old Pennsylvania family, members of which settled in Ohio in the early part of the nineteenth century. Both parents are now deceased, the father dying in 1912, at the age of sixty-nine years, and the mother in 1909, at the age of fifty-six years. They became the parents of five children, of whom four are living: Helen D., Raymond R., Nellie R. and Lester H.

The last-named was educated in the public schools of Canton, graduating from the Central high school in 1912, after which he entered Western Reserve University, from the art school of which institution he was graduated with honor with the degree of Bach-

elor of Arts in 1916. He then pursued his studies in the law school of his alma mater and received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1920. On October 6, 1917, Mr. Hossler enlisted in Company B, Three Hundred and Eighth Ammunition Train, and was company clerk throughout his war service, also acting as interpreter. He was honorably discharged May 14, 1919. He has since devoted his attention to the general practice of law, with offices in the First National Bank building, and is regarded as an able and trustworthy attorney. He is a director of the Smith-Trump Abstract Company, of Canton.

Mr. Hossler on September 3, 1923, was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Shull, who was born in New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Sherman E. and Emma (Porcher) Shull. Mr. and Mrs. Hossler have a son, Jerome Henry, born January 9, 1925. Mr. Hossler is a member of the Stark County Law Library Association, of which he has been secretary and treasurer for the past six years; the Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He is an active supporter of the democratic party, and is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M.; Nazir Grotto, the American Legion and the University Club. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton. He has shown keen interest in the welfare and advancement of his community and is well worthy of the respect and esteem in which he is held by his fellowmen.

FRANK O. HUMBERGER, JR.

Frank O. Humberger, Jr., secretary of the Massillon Steel Castings Company, has by faithful and efficient service in that capacity been an important factor in the successful operation of this well known concern and stands high among the alert and capable business men of this city. Mr. Humberger was born on the 1st of January, 1884, in the city where he now resides, and is a son of Frank O. and Carrie R. (Wert) Humberger. His parents were pioneers of this locality and his father was long prominent among the early merchants and public-spirited citizens of the community.

Frank O. Humberger attended the public schools, graduating from high school, after which he attended Kenyon Military Academy and Kenyon College. He entered the Union National Bank of Massillon, with which institution he was connected for three years, after which he entered the employ of the Massillon Iron and Steel Company, with which he remained until 1921, when he became identified with the Massillon Steel Castings Company, of which he is now secretary.

In 1925 Mr. Humberger was united in marriage to Miss Marjorie Hulick, of Batavia, Ohio. He is a republican in his political alignment and has shown a keen interest in public affairs. He is a member of Clinton Lodge, No. 47, F. & A. M.; Hiram Chapter, No. 18, R. A. M.; Massillon Commandery, No. 4, K. T., and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and also belongs to the Massillon Chamber of Commerce. A man of strong character and agreeable personality, he stands deservedly high in the respect and esteem of his fellowmen and is regarded as one of the loyal and dependable citizens of Massillon.

ROY LOWRY

Roy Lowry, who has built up a large business in the handling of Chrysler automobiles, stands among Massillon's wide-awake and progressive merchants and commands his full share of the local automobile trade, due to the merits of the car he handles and his honorable business methods.

Mr. Lowry was born at Newton Falls, Trumbull county, Ohio, on the 19th of August, 1874, and is a son of Davis and Polly (Clark) Lowry. The father was a native of Scotland, whence he came to this country many years ago and settled in Ohio. The mother was born in the Western Reserve of Ohio and they spent their married life in the northeast portion of this state. Both are now deceased. Roy Lowry received a good public school education, graduating from high school, and later he learned the trade of machinist, which he followed until 1920, being located for several years in Akron, Ohio, and coming to Massillon in 1902.

In 1924, in partnership with his sons, Harold F. and Wilbur, Mr. Lowry embarked in the automobile business in Massillon, and,



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meeting with encouraging success, the business was incorporated in July, 1927, under the name of the Lowry Motor Company. They handle the Chrysler cars, of which they have sold a large number throughout this territory, and have gained a well earned reputation for absolute reliability in all of their affairs. They have an attractive salesroom at 304 Erie street north, in connection with which they maintain a well equipped repair department, where they give prompt and efficient service.

On February 27, 1896, Mr. Lowry was united in marriage to Miss Hattie B. Schrock, who was born and reared in Massillon, and was graduated from high school in 1895. To them have been born four children, namely: Helen, who is at home; Pauline, who is the wife of Franklin B. Clapper, of Massillon; and Harold F. and Wilbur, who are associated with their father in business.

Mr. Lowry is a stanch republican in his political views and he has served two terms as councilman at large of Massillon, from 1917 to 1920. He is a member of the Masonic Order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. His life has been characterized by hard work and conscientious endeavor, and throughout the community in which he lives he commands the uniform confidence and good will of his fellowmen.

JAMES AUSTIN BOWMAN

The legal profession in Stark county has been honored by the life and labors of James A. Bowman, who has been engaged in the practice of law here for thirty-four years. During eight years of this period he was judge of the criminal court in Canton and his record is one of duty well performed and of a high type of service as a trustworthy and capable attorney. Mr. Bowman was born in East Sparta, Stark county, Ohio, April 21, 1867, a son of Jacob and Nancy (Evans) Bowman, of whom the former was of German descent and was born at Sparta in 1840, while the latter, of Welsh ancestry, was born at Sandyville, Ohio, in 1850.

Judge Bowman received his early education in the district school near his home, after which he attended a normal school in Sparta, and then entered Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, in

1893. In the meantime he had taught in the country schools for about ten years, and on leaving college remained on the home farm near Sparta until 1894, when he was admitted to the bar. Coming to Canton, he engaged in the practice of his profession, to which he has devoted his attention continuously since. In 1898 he was elected a justice of the peace, and was twice reelected, serving until 1907, and from 1918 until 1926 was judge of the criminal court.

On September 22, 1897, in Magnolia, Ohio, Judge Bowman was united in marriage to Miss Flora E. Brothers, who was born in Arlington, Ohio, June 14, 1874, and is of German descent, her family having been numbered among the early settlers of the Magnolia neighborhood. She is a member of the Congress Lake Club and the Canton Women's Club. Her parents were Ananias and Tebacila Brothers, the former born at Magnolia in 1828, and the latter at Waynesburg, Ohio, in 1834. The father was a veteran of the Civil war, serving four years in the Union Army. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman are the parents of two daughters, Dorothy, at home, and Doris, the wife of William Umstattd, of Canton. Judge Bowman gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Knights of Pythias, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of which he was financial secretary from 1898 to 1918. He is a member of the Congress Lake Country Club and the Masonic Club, and he and his wife belong to the First Presbyterian church, of which he is a deacon, secretary and treasurer. He is fond of outdoor diversions, principally fishing and golf, and also takes pleasure in bowling. A man of broad views and wide interests in relation to current public affairs, he is a constant reader and student, is an agreeable companion and interesting conversationalist and wherever known commands uniform confidence and respect.

CLARENCE P. SPUHLER

Clarence P. Spuhler is connected with one of the most distinctive business enterprises in Stark county, that of Spuhlers, Inc., of Massillon, interior decorators. The firm is not an old one, but, because of the high quality of its work and its up-to-date methods, it has become firmly established in the favor of discriminating home

owners and is enjoying a steady and substantial growth in business. Clarence P. Spuhler was born in Massillon, on the 14th of August, 1880, and is a son of Frederick and Mary (Wise) Spuhler. His paternal grandfather, John Spuhler, established the family in Stark county many years ago.

Mr. Spuhler received his education in the public schools of Massillon and in young manhood learned the trade of interior decorating. He was first employed as a delivery boy with the Humberger department store in Massillon, with which concern he was connected for twenty-two years. From boyhood he evinced an interest in things artistic and, having centered his attention on interior decorating, he lost no opportunity to improve his technical knowledge of that subject. Eventually he established the interior decorating department of the Humberger store, and developed it into one of the most important phases of the business. In 1925 Mr. Spuhler established an interior decorating business on his own account, under the name of Spuhlers, Inc., and occupies his own building at 181 East Main street. This is now one of the most exclusive firms in its line in Ohio and its business has gradually widened, until it now covers a wide territory in every direction from Massillon. Mr. Spuhler has associated with him Messrs. Loehle, Kirchhofer, Laur, Schmidt and Miller, and steady employment is given to fifty persons, nearly all of whom are highly skilled in their special lines of work. The firm does everything pertaining to high class interior decorating, including windows, draperies, curtains, wall coverings, wall fixtures, lamps and other features of the home, and nothing is standardized, everything being original in general plan and detailed design. Mr. Spuhler gives his personal attention to the business and takes a justifiable pride in rendering a type of service that will give permanent satisfaction.

In 1903 Mr. Spuhler was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude B. Kirchhofer, of Massillon, and they are the parents of two children, Mary Louise and Paul Frederick. He is a republican in his political affiliation, and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has attained the rank of Knight Templar in the York Rite and the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, while he is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Sons of Veterans, the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His religious membership is with the Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal church. He has

worked hard for his present success and throughout the community is regarded as a progressive, alert and capable business man, worthy of public confidence and respect.

HENRY S. BELDEN, JR.

Henry S. Belden, Jr., has long been recognized as one of Canton's leading realtors, in which line of business he has been successfully engaged for many years. His operations have been conducted on a large scale and have contributed directly to the growth and development of Canton, in which city he was born on the 12th of January, 1879, a son of the late Henry S. and Franc (Blake) Belden, of whom the former engaged in the brick business in this city. Henry S. Belden attended the public schools of Canton, completing his education in Western Reserve Academy, after which he entered the employ of his father, with whom he remained about seven years, during which time he gained a splendid insight into business methods. He then entered the real estate business, buying properties on his own account and selling them, and thus acquired an accurate knowledge of real estate values. He also engaged in the automobile business, becoming the local distributor for the Franklin line of cars, which business he carried on for eight years, selling out in 1921. Since that time he has devoted his entire attention to the real estate business, in which success has crowned his efforts, and he is a member of the board of directors of the Central Savings and Trust Company.

On February 21, 1911, in Canton, Mr. Belden was united in marriage to Miss Katherine Barber, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of Marshall B. and Mary (Saxton) Barber, the latter a sister of the late Mrs. William McKinley. Mr. and Mrs. Belden are the parents of three children, namely: Marshall, born October 2, 1912; Elizabeth Seymour, born October 27, 1914, and Henry Seymour III, born January 11, 1917. Mrs. Belden is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Canton Women's Club and the Visiting Nurses Society and is a trustee of the Community Fund. She graduated from Smith College, at Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1908, and is greatly interested in civic welfare. In his political views Mr. Belden is a

stanch democrat, while socially he is a member of the Canton Club and the Brookside Country Club. He and his wife belong to the First Presbyterian church, of which he is a trustee, and they give generous support to all worthy benevolent and charitable causes. Mr. Belden is a lover of outdoor life, horseback riding being one of his favorite diversions, and he is also deriving great pleasure in the planting of three hundred and fifty acres of forest trees. He possesses a strong character and forceful personality, is a keen and discriminating man in business affairs, and the highest principles control his actions, so that throughout the community where he has spent his life he is held in the highest respect and confidence.

GEORGE H. FREEBORN

Among the highly esteemed residents of Massillon, none enjoys public confidence to a greater degree than does George H. Freeborn, assistant treasurer of the Central Alloy Steel Corporation, with which concern he has been officially identified for fourteen years. Mr. Freeborn was born at Wellesley, province of Ontario, Canada, on the 9th of January, 1881, and is a son of Robert and Margaret (Kirkpatrick) Freeborn, both of whom were natives of county Donegal, Ireland. On coming to this country they located in Canton, where they spent their remaining years, the mother dying in 1883 and the father in 1922.

George H. Freeborn attended the public schools, completed his classical studies in Stratford Collegiate Institute, and then took a commercial course in the Central Business College, at Stratford, Ontario. He then came to the United States and for two years was with the General Chemical Company of Pennsylvania, after which he went to work for the American Steel and Wire Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, with which he remained for eight years. Coming to Canton, he was for one and a half years with the Canton Manufacturing Company and in 1914 became auditor and comptroller and assistant treasurer of the Central Alloy Steel Corporation. Later the comptroller became a separate office and Mr. Freeborn has served as assistant treasurer continuously to the present time, rendering a type of service which has contributed to the successful operation of that company and winning for him the

uniform respect of all with whom he is associated. He has been successful in his material affairs and is now a director of the First National Bank of Massillon, the People's Building and Loan Company and the Massillon Commercial Institute.

On June 14, 1905, Mr. Freeborn was united in marriage to Miss Emma K. Sweitzer, of Stratford, Ontario. In his political attitude Mr. Freeborn is independent, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of Clinton Lodge, No. 47, F. & A. M., and Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland. He is a member of the Rotary Club, and is a director of the Massillon Chamber of Commerce, the Massillon Hospital Association and the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious membership is with the Presbyterian church and he gives his earnest support to all worthy enterprises having for their object the advancement of the best interests of the community. A man of progressive tendencies, straightforward manner and excellent personal traits, he is highly esteemed throughout the city in which he lives and has many warm and loyal friends, who esteem him for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

FRANK N. SWEITZER

Frank N. Sweitzer, who for twenty years has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Canton, in which he has met with well merited success, has also served his city and county in important public positions with ability and credit, and is regarded as one of the leading members of the Stark county bar. Mr. Sweitzer was born at Marlboro, Stark county, on the 17th of July, 1877, and is a son of Jesse and Emily (Baum) Sweitzer. His father was born in 1848 in Columbiana county, Ohio, and is still living at Marlboro, where he has resided for many years, while his mother, who was born in Marlboro township, Stark county, in 1850, died in 1923. Frank N. Sweitzer attended the public schools of Marlboro township and the high school in Marlboro, after which he studied in the college of arts at Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated. He then entered the Illinois College of Law, and later was graduated from the college of law of Ohio Northern University, and in 1908 engaged in the practice of his

profession in Canton, where he has remained continuously to the present time.

Prior to entering upon his life work Mr. Sweitzer taught school in this county, first in district schools, then in the schools of Louisville, and later as head of the English and history department of the Canton high school. As a lawyer he gained prompt recognition for his learning, ability and resourcefulness and has always commanded a large clientele. He has been honored by his fellow citizens with official preferment, having served as first assistant solicitor of Canton, as first assistant prosecuting attorney and prosecuting attorney of Stark county and as a member of the state library board, in each of which positions he acquitted himself in a manner highly creditable to his ability, integrity and judgment. He also served as legal advisor to the local draft and appeals boards during the World war.

Mr. Sweitzer was united in marriage to Miss Alletha Mae Friedly, a daughter of Rev. Michael Friedly, a Methodist minister, and Callie (Walker) Friedly, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Sweitzer is greatly interested in the social and civic affairs of her city and is a director of the Canton Woman's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Sweitzer are the parents of a daughter, Marylyn Irene, who is now a senior in the McKinley high school. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Sweitzer gives his political support to the democratic party and is deeply interested in all matters affecting the community welfare. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Eagles and other organizations. He is a man of fine presence and pleasing address, embodies in his makeup the highest qualities of citizenship and commands the uniform respect of all who know him.

JAMES A. JEFFERS

One of the ablest and most highly respected members of the Stark county bar is James A. Jeffers, who for a third of a century has been continuously engaged in the practice of law in Canton, being regarded as one of the leading corporation lawyers of this section of the state. Mr. Jeffers was born in Monroe county, Ohio,

September 8, 1869, and is a son of John and Sarah Ann (Taylor) Jeffers. In the paternal line he is descended from old French stock, his ancestors having migrated from France to Scotland, and later to Ireland, from which country came John Jeffers, who located in America prior to the Revolutionary war. The great-grandfather, John Jeffers, brought his family to Ohio in 1849, and here spent his remaining days, living to the age of one hundred and four years. The family home was established near Bellaire, Belmont county, and there was reared the grandfather, William Jeffers, who was fourteen years old when brought to this state. Here he followed agricultural pursuits. His son, John, father of James A. Jeffers, was born in Bellaire in 1835, and was given the advantage of a good education, after which he taught in the public schools of Belmont county for twenty years. His death occurred in 1900, at the age of sixty-five years. His wife was a daughter of Hampton Taylor, who was descended from an old family of Warrenton Virginia, and was a veteran of the war of 1812, having served with an Ohio regiment, and after the Civil war he located in eastern Ohio, where he engaged in farming and stock-raising. Mrs. Sarah A. Jeffers died in 1909, at the age of seventy-four years. To Mr. and Mrs. Jeffers were born four sons and two daughters.

James A. Jeffers, the youngest and the only one living in Stark county, received his early education in the public and high schools of Beallsville, Ohio, after which he attended Mt. Union College at Alliance and Ohio State University, being graduated from the latter institution in 1895. He at once came to Canton and engaged in the practice of law, and in the following year began to specialize in corporation law, in the practice of which he has shown thorough mastery, being strong and resourceful in the trial of causes and sound and dependable as a counselor, so that he has long enjoyed a large and lucrative practice.

On June 5, 1895, in Bellaire, Ohio, Mr. Jeffers was united in marriage to Miss Lillie L. Gratigny, a daughter of Lewis and Susannah (DuVall) Gratigny, both members of old Belmont county families, of French origin. Mr. Jeffers is a staunch republican and has always shown a commendable interest in public affairs, particularly such as affect the welfare of his own community. He is at this time a candidate for the nomination for judge of the court of common pleas, division of domestic relations, a court which was established by special act of the last legislature and will begin

to function January 1, 1929. Mr. Jeffers accepted the candidacy because of the opportunity of public service which the position will afford and is in every way well qualified for the office. He is a member of Nimishillen Lodge, No. 39, I. O. O. F., and Canton Lodge, No. 589, K. P., and in the latter has passed through the chairs. He belongs to the Triangle Club and he and his wife belong to the First Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a trustee. Loyal and true in every relation of life, he has long held a high place in public confidence and esteem and is well worthy of any honor which could be bestowed upon him.

IRVING A. ELSON, M. D.

One of the representative members of the medical profession in Canton is Dr. Irving A. Elson, whose record has stamped him as a man of marked ability and reliable judgment and who has attained an enviable place in the esteem of the people of his city. Dr. Elson was born in Wooster, Ohio, August 11, 1863, and is a son of George W. and Mathilda (Shearer) Elson, both of whom are deceased. His father, who was a native of this state, was descended from an old Virginia family, of Irish extraction, and was reared and educated in Wayne and Stark counties. During his active years he was engaged in farming and stock-raising. A man of excellent personal qualities, he stood high in his community. He was a republican in his political views and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1875, at the age of forty years. His wife was born in Stark county and was a member of one of Ohio's pioneer families, who had come to this state from Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Elson were the parents of two sons, Jonathan C. and Irving A.

The latter received his early education in the public schools, after which he attended the Eastern Ohio Normal School. He remained on the paternal farmstead until twenty-one years of age, when he matriculated in the medical school of Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, in 1891. He engaged in the practice of his profession at Smithville, Wayne county, where he remained ten years, and was then for twelve years engaged in general prac-

tice in Cleveland. In 1913 he came to Canton, where he has been in practice continuously to the present time, and has commanded a large and remunerative business. The Doctor has always been a close student of his profession and in 1902-3 took special work at the New York Post-Graduate Medical School. During the World war he served in the Volunteer Medical Service Corps.

On March 2, 1891, in Canton, Dr. Elson was united in marriage to Miss Florence E. Ake, a daughter of Francis Ake and a sister of Judge Harry F. Ake, of Canton. To them has been born a daughter, Ethel A., who is a graduate nurse. In his political views the Doctor is independent, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and his religious connection is with the First Christian church. He belongs to the Canton Medical Library Association, the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Because of his professional ability and distinguished services, as well as for his sterling character and genial manner, he commands the unqualified confidence and respect of all who know him.

GEORGE PELAY

In the career of George Pelay, of Canton, there have been exemplified traits which would insure success in any undertaking—ambition, industry, determination, good judgment and honesty—and the measure of prosperity which has come to him is well merited. Mr. Pelay was born on the 22d of September, 1890, in Anhilos, Bulgaria, and is a son of Pelay and Aspasci (Coconedes) Papagregorcou, who also were born and reared at Anhilos and were of pure Greek stock. On coming to the United States Mr. Pelay changed his name by adopting his father's given name for a surname, to which he prefixed the name George. His forebears were tradesmen for a number of generations and his paternal grandfather, George Papagregorcou, was governor of Rumely, an eastern province of Bulgaria, for a number of years.

Mr. Pelay received his common school education in Constantinople, graduating from what would be equal to our eighth grade, and learned three languages, the Bulgarian, Turkish and Greek.



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He continued his education at Philippoulos, in Macedonia, where he majored in history, and, after two years there, he went to Athens, Greece, where he took a commercial course, including bookkeeping and business methods. He then spent several months in aviation training, after which, at the age of twenty-four years, he went to Paris, France, and spent a year as a pastry chef apprentice. From there he went to Norwich, England, where he managed a hotel for about a year, and after visiting for awhile in Liverpool, he proceeded to Southampton and on December 4, 1915, embarked for the United States. Going to Allenville, New York, he established a bakery, which he conducted until February 25, 1918, when he enlisted in the Seventy-seventh Division. He was assigned to special duty in the provost guard, from which he was later promoted to the intelligence department. On May 25, 1918, he left Hoboken for overseas, reaching Paris June 1st, and was made sergeant major as investigator in the military police. In the performance of his duties he made a number of trips back and forth to this country and, on July 8, 1919, was honorably discharged at Camp Bowie, Texas, with the highest commendations for his ability and integrity. Mr. Pelay then came direct to Canton and, with two hundred and eighty dollars of his own and five hundred dollars which he borrowed, he bought a grocery store at 1538 Maple avenue northeast. This proved a successful venture, which he still carries on. In 1922 Mr. Pelay incorporated the Pelay Catering Company, with a capital of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and has established a chain of restaurants, catering particularly to the employes of the Central Alloy Steel Corporation. Mr. Pelay, as president and treasurer of the company, has had the active management of the business, which has been developed into the most important concern in its line in Canton. When he began his business career on Maple avenue he employed one clerk and now has one hundred and sixteen employes. He is insistent that only the best food be served in his restaurants and all who have patronized him have appreciated his efforts to render satisfactory service.

On December 19, 1924, Mr. Pelay was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Lewis, who was born in Alabama, January 21, 1904, a daughter of Herbert and Helen (Stokes) Lewis, the former of whom is now deceased, while the latter, who was born in Litchfield, England, August 12, 1874, resides in Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Pelay have an adopted daughter, Tula G., who was born at Athens,

Greece, January 26, 1916, and is a war orphan. She was brought to this country by Mr. Pelay, was legally adopted and is receiving the best care and a good education. Mrs. Pelay, who is descended from Welsh ancestry on the paternal side and English on the maternal, is a granddaughter of Joseph Stokes, who, as a stone-mason, was employed for over thirty years on the construction of the Litchfield cathedral. Mr. Pelay is a republican in his political views, is a member of the First Christian church of Canton and is a director of the Northeast Young Men's Christian Association of this city. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the American Progressive Educational Association, of which he was president for one year. A man of earnest purpose and upright life, he has made a favorable impression on all with whom he has come in contact and commands the confidence and respect of all who know him.

WENDELL HERBRUCK

Wendell Herbruck, prominent among the able and successful lawyers of Canton, has practiced here for many years and has gained distinctive recognition in his profession. He was born in this city, on the 23d of February, 1888, and is a son of Emil P. and Iris L. (Zwisler) Herbruck, the former born in Canton, January 5, 1856, and the latter in Canfield, Ohio, May 5, 1858. Mr. Herbruck is of German ancestry and his paternal grandfather, Rev. Peter Herbruck, was for fifty-three years an honored and successful clergyman in Canton. Specific reference is made to him in the personal sketch of Ferdinand Herbruck, on other pages of this work. The maternal grandfather, Rev. Karl Zwisler, was a clergyman and physician in Canfield, Ohio.

Wendell Herbruck attended the public schools of Canton and entered the law school of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the B. L. degree in 1909. He also received the degree of Bachelor of Letters from the University of Oxford, England. He has devoted his active life to the practice of law and is regarded as one of Stark county's leading attorneys, being well grounded in the principles of jurisprudence, determined and ca-

pable in the prosecution of causes, safe and dependable as an advisor and honorable in every relation of life.

In October, 1916, in Canton, Mr. Herbruck was united in marriage to Miss Hazel L. Gibbs, who was born in this city in 1888, and is a daughter of Elmer W. and Louise (Voges) Gibbs, of whom the latter died in 1922. She was a granddaughter of Lewis Gibbs, the pioneer manufacturer of Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Herbruck have two children, Caroline Louise and Wendell, Jr., both at home. Mr. Herbruck gives his political support to the republican party and he and his wife are members of the Trinity Reformed church. He gives his earnest support to those things which relate to the welfare of his community and commands the respect of his fellowmen.

JUDGE A. TALMAGE SNYDER

Judge A. Talmage Snyder is descended from an old family that for generations lived in Alsace, Germany. His paternal great-grandfather, George H. Snyder, born in 1785, came to the United States in 1827, landing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he conducted a shoe store and engaged in the shoemaker's trade. He married Margaret Grose. His youngest son, Jacob J. Snyder, was born on the 5th of May, 1820, and died May 8, 1915. He was the father of John J. Snyder, who was born on the 8th of October, 1847, married to Maria Shearer, April 18, 1871, and died July 2, 1914.

Judge Snyder is the second son of their family of four boys, and was born near Mapleton, Ohio. His older brother, J. Royal Snyder, taught school for a number of years, graduated from Mt. Union College with the class of 1899 and from Harvard Law School in 1909. He was treasurer of Stark county from 1902 to 1906. He is now practicing law in Cleveland.

Judge Snyder taught school for five years, graduated from Mount Union with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and three years later from the Harvard Law School, being the first Stark county graduate of that school. In December, 1904, he passed the state bar examination and has practiced law in Canton since that time. In 1914 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Stark county, handling

many important cases for the county. In 1924 Mr. Snyder was elected common pleas judge of Stark county for a short term. His excellent and conscientious work on the bench won for him the admiration of the litigants and the attorneys of the county, and when the municipal court of Canton was established, he was prevailed upon to be a candidate for municipal judge. He was nominated and elected for the long term. His training and experience have aided greatly in placing the Canton municipal court in the enviable position it holds in the esteem of the citizens of Canton.

Judge Snyder's mother lives in Louisville, Ohio, having obtained the age of eighty years. I. A. Snyder, a brother, lives on a farm near Paris, and a younger brother, Harvey R. Snyder, a graduate of Harvard University and the Harvard Law School, is now practicing law in Cleveland, Ohio.

In 1906 Judge Snyder was married to Bertha E. Myers, of Moultrie, Ohio. They have been living in Canton since their marriage. Mr. Snyder is a member of the Evangelical church, the Masonic Order, the Order of the Eastern Star and the several Bar Associations of the county and state. In politics Mr. Snyder has always been a republican.

LORIN C. WISE

For forty-two years the name of Lorin C. Wise has been a familiar one in the legal circles of Stark county and he has honored his community by his sterling qualities of citizenship, so that he well merits the high place which he holds in public esteem. Mr. Wise was born in Plain township, Stark county, Ohio, August 13, 1862, and is a son of Reuben Z. and Lydia (Gans) Wise. The family is of German descent and was founded in this country during colonial days. Mr. Wise's great-grandfather, who was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, died October 5, 1821, and was interred in Marlboro cemetery, in Stark county, being the only Revolutionary soldier buried there, and one of the very few who rest in Stark county. The paternal grandparents were Peter M. and Barbara (Forner) Wise, who settled in Stark county about 1806. Peter Wise, a native of Washington county, Pennsylvania, was a farmer and also a finisher and fuller of cloth. He was active

in public affairs, having served as a member of the state legislature and as a member of the board of county commissioners. His death occurred in 1877, at the age of eighty-three years, and his wife died about 1882, aged seventy years. Reuben Z. Wise was born in Plain township, Stark county, August 26, 1836, and was a farmer, surveyor and civil engineer. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the militia in the one-hundred-day service. He gave his political support to the republican party and was a member of the Reformed church. His death occurred in 1893, at the age of fifty-seven years. His wife was born in Stark county, Ohio, in 1836, and died in 1878. She was a daughter of Benjamin and Susan (Williams) Gans, the former a farmer in Lake and Marlboro townships, and both are now deceased, he dying in 1891, at the age of eighty-two years. To Reuben Z. and Lydia Wise were born five children, four of whom survive, namely: Mabel, the wife of Ed S. Wise, of Auburn, Indiana; Nettie, the wife of Jacob Kaufman, of Columbus, Ohio; Edith, who lives in Columbus, Ohio; Charles, who died December 6, 1907, in the great mine disaster at Monongah, West Virginia; and Lorin C.

Lorin C. Wise attended the public schools and Mt. Union College, and his early boyhood days were spent on his father's farm. When twenty-two years old he entered the law office of Judge Joseph Frease, of Canton, spent two years in the study of Kent and Blackstone, and in 1886 was admitted to the bar. He at once engaged in the practice of his profession in Canton and has been closely and actively identified with it continuously since. He has always been a close student, keeping in touch with the latest court decisions and precedents, and has been uniformly successful, both as a trial lawyer and as office counselor. He belongs to the Stark County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

On October 4, 1890, in Massillon, Stark county, Mr. Wise was united in marriage to Miss Violet M. Young, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of Cyrus and Margaret (Shaffer) Young, who were early settlers in Massillon. Mr. and Mrs. Wise have three children: Cyrus, born in 1891, was married to Miss Lucille Kahler and they have a daughter, Mary Margaret; Reuben Z., born in 1894, married Miss Marie Hawkins and they have a son, Reuben Z., Jr.; and Margaret, born in 1898, is the wife of Karl Sisterhen, of Canton, and they had a son, Lorin C. Wise, Jr., who is deceased. The family home is at 140 Belleflower ave-

nue, northwest, Canton. Politically Mr. Wise has always supported the republican party and has been actively interested in local public affairs, having served four years as a member of the city board of education. He and his wife are members of Trinity Reformed church, to which they give liberal support. Mr. Wise has been a stalwart supporter of those things which tend to promote the public welfare and his consistent and honorable life has won for him the unqualified confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

HON. HUBERT C. PONTIUS

Hubert C. Pontius is numbered among the able and successful lawyers, active and influential political leaders and public-spirited citizens of Canton, where he has been closely identified with his profession since 1901. A lifelong resident of Canton, his birth occurred on the 29th of January, 1877, his parents being Jackson W. and Elvira (Clay) Pontius. The family is of Dutch descent, the American progenitor having settled in this country prior to the Revolutionary war, in which he participated, while one of his descendants, Frederick Pontius, was a veteran of the war of 1812. The early generations of the family in this country followed agricultural pursuits, and in 1820 Frederick Pontius migrated from Pennsylvania to Stark county, Ohio, becoming one of the pioneer settlers of Plain township. He was the father of Andrew Pontius, who was born in that township, where he followed farming. He married Sarah Correll, and they became the parents of the late Jackson W. Pontius, father of Judge Pontius. Elvira (Clay) Pontius, who is still living, is a daughter of Moses and Catherine (Madison) Clay, who settled in Jackson township, Stark county, about 1820, so that in both paternal and maternal lines Judge Pontius is the scion of old pioneer stock.

Hubert C. Pontius, the eldest of four children, was educated in the public schools of Canton, graduating from high school in 1893, after which he entered Wittenberg College, at Springfield, Ohio, and was graduated, with the Bachelor of Arts degree, in 1899, later receiving his Master's degree from his alma mater. He entered the law school of Ohio State University, was admitted to the bar in December, 1901, at once returned to Canton and entered

upon the practice of his profession. His ability and character received prompt recognition and he built up a large and remunerative clientele. He served as prosecuting attorney of Stark county in 1913-14, and in 1917 was elected judge of the common pleas court, occupying the bench until 1921, when he resigned and resumed the private practice of law. He is a member of the firm of Lynch, Day, Fimple, Pontius & Lynch, generally recognized as one of the strongest and most successful law firms in the state.

On June 14, 1904, in Springfield, Ohio, Judge Pontius was united in marriage to Miss Mary S. Gotwald, who was born in Pennsylvania and is a daughter of Rev. Luther A. and Mary (King) Gotwald. Her father, now deceased, was long a professor in the Lutheran Seminary in Springfield. Judge Pontius has been a lifelong supporter of the democratic party and a leader in national, state and local politics, standing high in the councils of his party. He has also shown a constant interest in the civic progress of his city and county, supporting all measures calculated to promote the public welfare, serving as the first chairman of the Community Fund campaign. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Canton Club, the Congress Lake Club and the Brookside Country Club, and he and his wife are earnest members of Trinity Lutheran church. He belongs to the Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. A man of strong and forceful character, attractive personality and cordial and friendly manner, he is deservedly popular among his associates and throughout Stark county commands the unqualified confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

ROBERT H. FIRTH, M. D.

Dr. Robert H. Firth, who has gained an enviable place among able physicians and surgeons of Canton, and is also rendering effective service as medical inspector for the public schools of this city, was born in Dayton, Ohio, March 19, 1880, a son of George and Harriet (Cross) Firth. The Firth family is of Scotch origin and was founded in this country by John and Martha Firth, who settled in New Jersey. George Firth was born in Trenton, New Jersey, received a good education and was ordained a minister of the Bap-

tist church, which calling he followed for a number of years, later turning his attention to business pursuits, which he followed until his death, in 1892, at the age of forty-five years. Harriet (Cross) Firth was born in New York, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Cross. The Cross family is of English origin and one of Dr. Firth's great-uncles was Sir Richard Cross, a member of the English House of Lords. The maternal grandfather Cross was keeper of the house of customs in Montreal, Canada, in which country the family first settled on coming to America. Later they went to New York and later lived in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Doctor's mother is now a resident of Dayton, Ohio. To George and Harriet Firth were born four children, one of whom died in infancy, the survivors being Luella Florence, Walter A. and Robert H.

Robert H. Firth attended the public schools of Dayton, graduating from high school in 1896, after which he graduated from Wilt's College of Shorthand and Typewriting. He served for a time as private secretary to the president of the Dayton Malleable Iron Company and also taught violin for a number of years, and thus earned the money with which to pay his way through medical school. He matriculated in the medical department of the University of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1906, and at once returned to his home city, where he engaged in the practice of his profession for nineteen years. In August, 1925, Dr. Firth came to Canton and opened an office at 309 Brant building, since which time he has commanded his full share of the medical practice of this community. He specializes in proctology, in which he is regarded as an authority and has met with remarkable success. On August 13, 1918, Dr. Firth enlisted for service in the World war, being commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and was stationed at Camp Zachary Taylor, at Louisville, Kentucky, where he served as a proctologist. He was honorably discharged in July, 1919. He is a member of the Canton Medical Library Association, the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

On November 12, 1907, in Dayton, Ohio, Dr. Firth was united in marriage to Miss Ella Louise Bailer, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of William C. and Clara A. (Weckel) Bailer, the former descended from the aristocracy of Weimer Saxony, Germany. Mrs. Firth is an accomplished pipe organist and

while living in Dayton served as organist at the Wayne Avenue Evangelical church and the Oak Street United Brethren church. Dr. and Mrs. Firth are the parents of a son, Robert H., Jr., born in Dayton August 16, 1909. The Doctor gives the republican party his support and has shown a commendable interest in public affairs. He is a member of Miami Valley Lodge, No. 660, F. & A. M., at Dayton; Dayton Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Antioch Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Dayton, and Dayton Post, No. 5, A. L., belonging also to the Schoolmasters Club. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. A man of earnest purpose, devoted to his profession, his record has earned for him the sincere respect of his fellowmen and he is numbered among Canton's most worthy and esteemed citizens.

FRANK G. KINGSBURY

A life of useful activity in the business world and of loyalty to those qualities which make for an honorable manhood and citizenship constitutes the record of Frank G. Kingsbury, who passed from this life August 10, 1923. He was born in Alliance, Ohio, August 23, 1860, and was a son of George and Cherry (Woods) Kingsbury. His early education was acquired in the public schools of his native city and he afterward attended Mount Union College. Starting in the business world, he devoted some years to railroad service and in 1890 entered the employ of the Transue & Williams Company. He was selected for the responsible position of foreman and served in that connection for more than two decades, or until he retired on account of ill health in 1921.

It was on the 3d of August, 1886, at Canton, Ohio, that Mr. Kingsbury was united in marriage to Miss Minnie B. Transue, a daughter of Frank and Amanda Jane (Aultman) Transue, (q. v.) Mr. and Mrs. Kingsbury became the parents of a daughter, Zerna, now the wife of William C. Spring of Alliance and the mother of one son, William Kingsbury Spring, who was born October 11, 1916. Mrs. Kingsbury attends the Christian Science church, is a member of the Alliance Woman's Club and of the Qui Vive Club, and is widely and favorably known in social circles of the city in which she makes her home.

Mr. Kingsbury held membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Alliance and with the Knights of Pythias in Canton and was always loyal to the teachings and high purposes of those organizations. He had many sterling qualities, was kindly in manner, social in disposition, and thoroughly reliable as well as progressive in business affairs. As the years passed and his acquaintance broadened the number of his friends increased, but none there were who entertained for him more warm and loyal regard than those who knew him from his youth, a fact which indicates that his life was well spent and that his chief characteristics were such as commended him to the confidence and trust of those with whom he was associated.

HARVEY FRANKLIN BUSS

Among the constructors and builders of Canton the H. F. Buss Sand Company is regarded as one of the most reliable concerns in its line, due to the splendid service which it renders and the sound business methods of its owner, Harvey F. Buss, who, through his well directed efforts, has built up a prosperous business. Born in Marlboro township, Stark county, Ohio, he is a son of Morris and Mary Alice (Kocher) Buss. His father, who was of Pennsylvania German descent, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and died in Mahoning county, Ohio, at the age of seventy-two years. His mother, who also is deceased, was born near Richville, Stark county, and also was of Pennsylvania German extraction.

Harvey F. Buss received his early education in the Brigglesburg school, after which he attended the old East Fifth street school in Canton. He first regularly worked as a newsboy, carrying the Repository and Morning News, after which he became a messenger for the Postal Telegraph Company, and while still on the payroll of that company served as private messenger for William McKinley from 1895 to the spring of 1897. He then went to the Berger Manufacturing Company, for which concern he worked three days without pay in order to secure a position paying ten cents an hour. Later he was employed on a farm for two years, after which he went to work for the East Ohio Gas Company as water boy but was advanced to better positions until when he left



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that company, eighteen years later, he was doing gas fitting and burner work. He melted the first gold in Canton by natural gas and constructed the first heat treating and smelting furnace in this city. He then became interested in a coal stripping proposition, becoming a director of the Union Coal Stripping and Mining Company, with which he was identified for seven years, leaving in 1916 to start a retail coal business, in connection with which he also sold sand and gravel. The latter phase of the business became so important that in 1923 Mr. Buss sold his coal interests and bought gravel pits, and has since operated under the name of the H. F. Buss Sand Company, being located at Sixth street and Carnahan avenue northeast. His slogan is "Quality, Quantity and Service," to which he closely adheres in the operation of the business and, by his close attention to the wants of his customers and prompt attention to deliveries, has established the confidence of the trade. He specializes in mason's sand, in which he commands a good part of the local business. He is a member of the Canton Building Exchange, of which he is a director, was for two years a director of the Stark Foundry Company and for the past five years has been president of the Sand Dealers Association.

On June 26, 1915, in New Philadelphia, Ohio, Mr. Buss was united in marriage to Miss Lucy A. Nehls, who was born in Cleveland, Ohio, October 4, 1894, and is a daughter of William and Bertha Nehls, both of whom were natives of Germany and are now deceased. Mrs. Buss is a member of the Mary Circle Club and is very popular among her associates. Mr. Buss is a republican in his political affiliation and he and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. He is fond of outdoor life, fishing and hunting being his favorite diversions. He is a man of earnest purpose, has led a busy and industrious life, and has richly earned the success which is crowning his efforts.

CHARLES YOUNG KAY

This biographical memoir has to do with a character of unusual force and eminence, for Charles Young Kay, who has passed to higher planes of activity, was for a long period one of the most prominent citizens of Alliance. While he carried on a special line

of business in such a manner as to gain a comfortable competence for himself, he also belonged to that class of representative men who give a due share of their attention to the promotion of the public welfare, and his sterling traits of character gained for him a high place in the confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

Mr. Kay was born in East Fairfield, Ohio, on the 25th of November, 1852, a son of Dr. Charles and Alice (Young) Kay. His father, a native of Philadelphia, was long a practicing physician, and his death occurred in Alliance. His wife also was a native of Pennsylvania and died in this city. Charles Y. Kay attended the public schools of Columbiana county and then entered Mt. Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1872, being a classmate of Philander C. Knox, former secretary of state. He received his Master's degree from his alma mater in 1875 and then entered the law school of the University of Michigan. He was admitted to the bar and practiced law in Alliance in his early manhood, but later formed a partnership with his father-in-law, William Cantine, under the firm name of Cantine & Kay, and engaged in the retail hardware business in Alliance. After a few years, Mr. Kay became the sole owner of the business, which was conducted under the name of the Kay Hardware Company, and he was very successful in its management, which he continued up to the time of his retirement, several years prior to his death. He was a director of the City Savings Bank & Trust Company and while attending a meeting of the directors of that institution, February 10, 1925, was stricken with cerebral hemorrhage, from which he died two hours later.

On April 17, 1880, Mr. Kay was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Cantine, who was born in Muskegon, Michigan, and is still living in Alliance. She is a daughter of William and Emily (Dickinson) Cantine, the latter of whom was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, and died in Alliance, Ohio, December 29, 1924. Mrs. Kay's father was a native of New York and became a pioneer settler in Michigan, where he lived for a number of years but eventually came to Alliance, where he spent his remaining days, his death occurring in 1903. He organized what is today the Alliance Gas & Power Company and later went into the hardware business with his son-in-law, Mr. Kay. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served as a staff officer in the Union army, and was honorably discharged with the rank of major. He was a democrat in

his political affiliation, was a man of strong character and was highly regarded by all with whom he came in contact. To Mr. and Mrs. Kay were born three daughters: Mary Emily is a graduate of the University of Washington and was national president of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority for several years. Gertrude Alice is a graduate of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women and a student for three years with Howard Pyle. She has illustrated for the Ladies Home Journal, Outlook, Good Housekeeping, St. Nicholas, Youth's Companion, Women's Home Companion and other important publications, and is a member of the Association of Women Painters and Sculptors of New York; the Plastic Club of Philadelphia; and the Authors' League of America. She is the author and illustrator of seven children's books. Carolyn Cantine is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin. She is now the wife of William Purdy Akins, a member of the firm and superintendent of construction of the Cope Electric Company of Alliance.

Mr. Kay was a staunch republican in his political views and took a deep interest in local public affairs. He served several terms as president of the city council and prior to his entering business served as superintendent of the city schools. He was a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M., the Alliance Circle, and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity of Mount Union College. He was recognized as a man of dependable judgment in practical matters, and his opinions were held in high regard by his associates, his counsel being frequently sought and just as freely given. His career was complete and rounded in its simplicity; he did his full duty in all the relations of life, and he died beloved by those near to him and respected and esteemed by his fellow citizens. At his death the following article appeared in a local paper:

"In the death of Charles Y. Kay, Alliance has lost one of her public-spirited citizens. Having resided in the city for a half century or more, he was closely connected with its every interest, has watched the city grow from a mere town to a city of prominence, and has in all these years been instrumental in accomplishing much toward that growth. With exceptionally high ideals in business and the conception of the duties of citizenship, Mr. Kay has contributed to this city and community that which cannot be measured from a monetary point of view. During the years in which he was actively engaged in business, success attended his efforts. He served the

public with the same zeal he devoted to his private affairs, and found much pleasure in the knowledge of duty well done. His death is a shock to his friends, coming suddenly and very unexpectedly. Mr. Kay had been about the city in his usual routine, conversing with friends in a free and happy manner the past few days. The fatal blow came when he was sitting with his business associates, and to them it is hard to realize that he has passed forever from their midst. Keen and alert to every business interest to the last, Mr. Kay exercised an influence upon those with whom he was associated in business affairs that will be lasting. His council was frequently sought and freely given on all occasions. In his death those who have known him through all these years count his passing a distinct loss to them."

JOHN W. NOBLE

John W. Noble, a member of the well known drug firm of Bergert-Noble Company, of Alliance, is a man of marked business ability and the success which is now his has come as the result of his earnest and rightly directed efforts. He was born at Harlem Springs, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 10th of November, 1880, and is a son of George and Thurza (Cogsil) Noble. His paternal grandfather, William Noble, Sr., was born on the Isle of Man and was of French descent. On coming to America he located in Washington county, Pennsylvania, where his death occurred, and he was buried at Taylor's church. He was a brickmason by trade and was a democrat in politics. William Noble, Jr., who was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, learned the trade of a brickmason under his father, and also engaged in farming. He was a democrat and a member of the Presbyterian church. His son George Noble, was born at Harlem Springs, Carroll county, Ohio, December 17, 1847, and is still living there. During his active years he followed farming but has now retired. He is a republican and has served as township trustee, while his religious connection is with the Presbyterian church. His wife was born at Kilgore, Ohio, December 27, 1852, and is a daughter of Oliver and Eliza (Algeo) Cogsil. Her father, who was born near Kilgore, died near Harlem Springs and is buried at Amsterdam, Ohio. He

was a farmer and an extensive stock-raiser, specializing in sheep. He was a republican and a member of the Presbyterian church. His parents Harvey and Mary (Vinsel) Cogsil, were born at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, and died at Kilgore, Ohio, where Mr. Cogsil had followed farming and stock-raising. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

John W. Noble attended the grade schools of Lee township, Carroll county, after which he took the normal course at Harlem Springs College. He then entered Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Graduate in Pharmacy in 1914. He entered the employ of Roth & Hugg, druggists, at Canton, with which concern he served two years as a pharmacist, after which he came to Alliance and formed a partnership with H. M. Bergert, under the firm name of the Bergert-Noble Company, and opened a drug store at 254 East Main street. This proved a successful venture and they have continued the business to the present time. They carry a complete line of pure drugs and standard proprietary remedies, also a large line of sundries, toilet articles, stationery and auxiliary lines, and have a well arranged and very attractive store. Mr. Noble devotes his attention closely to the business and has made many friends through his courtesy and accommodation. He is also a director in the Midland Savings & Loan Company.

On October 2, 1912, Mr. Noble was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth May Cross, who was born June 27, 1879, near Minerva, Ohio, and is a daughter of John Irwin and Sarah Elizabeth (Keith) Cross. Her paternal grandparents were John and Margaret (McNamara) Cross, who lived on a farm near Oneida, Ohio. John Cross was a Presbyterian in religious faith and a republican in politics. John Irwin Cross was born near Oneida, Carroll county, April 17, 1839, and died at Minerva, Ohio, September 3, 1923. He was a farmer by occupation, a trustee of the Presbyterian church, and gave his active support to the republican party. He taught school in his early life and later served as treasurer of his township. His wife was born in Minerva, September 19, 1847, and died at East Rochester, Ohio, March 5, 1923. She was a daughter of James and Sarah Elizabeth (Huet) Keith, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania and died at Minerva, Ohio. Mr. Keith devoted his efforts to agricultural pursuits, was a member of the Christian church and supported the democratic party.

Mrs. Noble received her early education in the public schools of East Rochester, Ohio, and also attended Wooster and Hiram Colleges, after which she taught music prior to her marriage. She is an active member of the Presbyterian church; is serving as superintendent of the cradle roll, president of the missionary society and a teacher in the beginner's department. She is a member of the Alliance Women's Club, the Mount Union College Women's Club, the Searchlight Club and the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. and Mrs. Noble are the parents of two children, Keith C., born October 23, 1914, and Margaret, born June 3, 1919.

Mr. Noble gives his political support to the republican party, and is a member and trustee of the Presbyterian church. He belongs to Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery No. 67, K. T.; and Tadmor Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Akron, and is also a member of the Lions Club, the Sleepy Hollow Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a consistent supporter of everything that tends to advance the best interests of his community and the high type of citizenship exemplified in his life has gained for him the sincere respect of all who know him.

R. VERNE MITCHELL

Close association with insurance and financial interests in Canton through many years has well established R. Verne Mitchell among the representative and prosperous citizens of the city. His course has been marked by that steady progress which indicates faithful performance of duty and a ready grasp of opportunity, and today he is well known as the vice president and manager of the R. V. Mitchell Company. His birth occurred July 12, 1885, in the little town of Rapids, Niagara county, New York, his parents being Almer W. and Alma (Utley) Mitchell, who were also natives of that place, the father born June 3, 1847, and the mother on the 18th of November, 1848.

Attending the public schools of Buffalo, New York, R. Verne Mitchell passed through successive grades, became a student in the Lafayette high school and ultimately entered Cornell University,

from which he was graduated in June, 1907, with the LL. B. degree. Soon afterward he went to Honolulu, where he became a law clerk in the office of Castle & Withington, one of the prominent law firms of the Island group, handling the legal interests of the big sugar corporations and cane producers. In 1909, however, he returned to Buffalo, New York, on account of the illness of his father, whom he joined in the conduct of a commission business. His identification with the insurance business dates from 1910, when he accepted a position with the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, which he represented in some special work in Massachusetts and Connecticut. Proving his capability in this field, he was made assistant to the general manager at the branch office in Cleveland and in 1911 he became associated with G. A. Leonard in the Leonard Agency Company at Canton, Ohio. In 1914 he accepted the position of salesmanager with the newly organized firm operating under the name of the United Security Company of Canton, Ohio, and engaged in the investment banking business, of which a little later he was made vice president and general manager. On the 30th of October, 1924, the firm name was changed to R. V. Mitchell & Company. With the passing years his business interests have greatly increased in scope and volume. He is today vice president and general manager of R. V. Mitchell & Company, investment bankers, with offices in Springfield, Canton, Akron and Cleveland. He is also president of the Harris-Seybold-Potter Company of Cleveland, the largest manufacturers of lithographic offset printing presses, tin decorating presses, paper cutting machinery, with plants located at Dayton, Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio, and Derby, Connecticut. Mr. Mitchell is interested in the Union Metal Manufacturing Company of Canton, Ohio; in the Dill Manufacturing Company of Cleveland, Ohio, and in a number of other substantial manufacturing concerns. He is likewise a director of the Union Trust Company of Cleveland, the Ohio-Pennsylvania Joint Stock Land Bank of Cleveland, the New York Joint Stock Land Bank, the Thompson Products Company of Cleveland, the Houghton Elevator & Machine Company of Toledo and the Beyers Machine Company of Ravenna. His sound business judgment and keen discernment are regarded as valuable assets in the successful control of every business concern with which he is associated.

On the 24th of June, 1914, in Canton, Ohio, Mr. Mitchell was

married to Miss Helen Morris Weber, who was born in Canton, June 3, 1889, and they have one son, Henry Weber Mitchell.

A member of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Mr. Mitchell was for many years clerk of the vestry and for ten years was superintendent of the Sunday school. He is likewise a director and chairman of the executive committee and a member of the board of trustees of the Aultman Hospital Association of Canton. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and citizenship is to him no mere idle term, as his support is given to all projects for the general good. He belongs to the Sigma Phi Epsilon, a college fraternity, and to the Lotus Club of New York city; the Toledo Club of Toledo, Ohio, the Brookside Country Club of Canton, Ohio; the Brookside Riding Club of Canton; the Canton Club of Canton, Ohio; the Congress Lake Club of Hartville, Ohio; the Union Club of Cleveland, Ohio; the Mid-Day Club of Cleveland, Ohio; the University Club of Cleveland; and the Country Club of Cleveland. All this outlines the extent and scope of his activities but tells nothing of the detail which has brought him to his present position of leadership in business and financial circles. There are certain outstanding characteristics in his career—indomitable energy, keen foresight and ability to plan and perform. His progressive spirit has been manifest just as surely and as effectively in behalf of the public welfare as in the advancement of his individual fortunes and the results which have accrued along both lines have been most satisfactory.

CHARLES R. McCONNELL

One of the leading real estate and insurance concerns of Alliance is the McConnell Agency Company, of which Charles R. McConnell is president. He is a man of extensive experience in this line of business and has met with very satisfactory success. He was born in Gnadenhutten, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 21st of January, 1883, a son of William A. and Sarah (Eggenberg) McConnell. The father, who was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, May 29, 1852, became a successful carpenter and builder, but is now retired and is living at Gnadenhutten. He has been an active supporter of the democratic party and served two terms

as a member of the board of county commissioners and has held other local offices. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and is highly respected throughout his community.

Charles R. McConnell attended the public schools of Gnadenhutten, graduating from high school, and then took a commercial course in Duff's Business College in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He became bookkeeper and cost accountant for the Nicola Building Company of Pittsburgh, remaining with that concern for ten years, and then became associated with the Morgan Engineering Company at Alliance, being employed in the accounting and estimating department for three years. In 1916 he formed a partnership with I. E. Riedinger and A. C. Heacock and bought out the Galbreth-Fetters Company, the name of which was changed to McConnell-Riedinger-Heacock Company, of which Mr. McConnell was president. In January, 1919, the name was again changed, becoming The McConnell Agency Company, of which Mr. McConnell is president and Byron Y. McCready is secretary. They do a general real estate and insurance business and enjoy a wide reputation as a progressive, able and enterprising firm. They represent a number of the leading insurance companies of the country and have handled a large amount of city and country property.

On April 11, 1920, in Alliance, Mr. McConnell was united in marriage to Miss Ethel B. Conser, who was born near Hanoverton, Ohio, November 12, 1893, a daughter of David P. and Dora (Miller) Conser. Her father, born near Hanoverton, was a farmer in early life but later became a successful realtor, and is now living retired in St. Petersburg, Florida. He is a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born near Winona, this state. Mrs. McConnell, who is a graduate of the Alliance high school, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star, the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem and the Alliance Women's Club. During the World war she took a very active part in Red Cross work. Mr. and Mrs. McConnell have two children: Ruth Ann, born February 11, 1921; and Jean Conser, born August 21, 1925.

Mr. McConnell is a republican in his political views, and his religious connection is with the Moravian church at Gnadenhutten. He is a member of Relief Lodge, No. 257, K. P., at Gnadenhutten; J. H. McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M.; Pittsburgh Consistory, Gorgas Lodge of Perfection, A. A. S. R., at Pittsburgh,

Pennsylvania; the Alliance Country Club; the Rotary Club; the Chamber of Commerce; and the American Philatelic Society. During the World war he had charge of the insurance division of the Liberty Loan drives for Alliance, and was also actively interested in the Red Cross drives. His life has been characterized by fidelity to purpose, thoroughness in everything which he undertakes and close adherence to the highest business ethics, for which reasons, as well as for his splendid personality, he commands the confidence and respect of all who know him.

NICHOLAS J. DATESH

One of Stark county's leading citizens of Roumanian birth is Nicholas J. Datesh, who is conducting a large and prosperous real estate and building business, and is also a wholesale dealer in fruits and fruit juices. He has been a loyal and public-spirited citizen of his adopted country and is one of Canton's most highly respected business men.

Mr. Datesh was born at Netot, Fagars, Roumania, on the 1st of September, 1890, a son of John and Istina (Gusaila) Datesh, both of whom were also natives of that place. In both paternal and maternal lines the family has long been resident in Roumania, which country has been a distinct nationality since the year 102 A. D., the Roumanians being offshoots of the Romans. Members of the Datesh family were practically all agriculturists, the notable exceptions being one of Nicholas J. Datesh's uncles, John Serban, who was a congressman at Fagars for eight years, while a cousin, George Datesh, was for many years a schoolmaster in Netot, Roumania, and a relative, Nicol Vigoli, was an orthodox minister at Netot.

Nicholas J. Datesh attended the grade schools in Fagars and the high school at Bucharest, after which he entered a bank, where he was employed for two years. In 1906 he came to the United States, locating first in Cleveland, Ohio, where he lived for six months, and then came to Canton, entering the employ of the Berger Manufacturing Company as a millwright, and later was made foreman of millwrights, in which capacity he served for two years. He next engaged in the grocery business on Eighth street north-



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east for eight years, after which he engaged in the real estate and building business. In this line he has been notably successful, due to his energetic and progressive methods and his square dealing, and has handled a large amount of property in Canton and Stark county. His wholesale fruit and fruit juice business is located at 524 Cherry avenue southeast, Canton, and this he has developed into an important and growing concern. Mr. Datesh has shown good judgment in the management of his business affairs, in which he has prospered, and he is now a member of the board of directors of the America Savings & Loan Company, of Canton, and president of America, a daily Roumanian newspaper published in Cleveland.

On June 10, 1916, in Canton, Mr. Datesh was united in marriage to Miss Anna Haller, a daughter of Daniel and Joan (Haller) Haller, both of whom are natives of Roumania and now reside in Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. Datesh are the parents of three children, Emil, Margaret and John, all of whom are attending the McGregor avenue public school. Emil is specializing in the study of violin and Margaret in piano.

Mr. Datesh is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and he and his family are members of St. George's Greek Catholic church, in Canton. He has won and retains to a marked degree the regard and good will of his fellowmen and has shown himself well worthy of the success which has come to him.

WILLIAM HENRY McMASTER, D. D., LL. D.

Dr. William H. McMaster, since 1909 president of Mount Union College at Alliance, is one of the notable men of Stark county, his ability, character and service having gained for him a distinctive place among those whose life work has been constructive and elevating in its purpose. A man of deep learning and wide scholarship and possessed of marked executive ability, his administration of the affairs of the institution of which he is the head has been marked by a wisdom and tact that has maintained it among the effective and honored educational institutions of the middle west.

Dr. McMaster was born at Centerville, Belmont county, Ohio, on the 17th of September, 1875, a son of Dr. James Nelson and Susan E. (Neff) McMaster. The family is originally of Scotch origin, though the progenitor of the family in this country, who served in the war of the Revolution, came directly from the north of Ireland with two brothers, one of whom settled in the Carolinas, one in Canada, while he located near Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He was the father of Robert McMaster, who was born near Carlisle, and died near Jacobsburg, Ohio, where he had followed the occupation of farming.

Among his children was Samuel McMaster, who was born near Jacobsburg, Ohio, and died at the home of his daughter at Bellaire, Ohio, in 1904. He was a farmer, served as a justice of the peace, and, being a man of good education, conducted a Latin school in his early years. He was a democrat in his political views and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Miss Sarah Gregory, who was born near St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, and died at the McMaster homestead near Jacobsburg.

They became the parents of James Nelson McMaster, who was born at Jacobsburg, December 30, 1844. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the Cincinnati Medical School in 1869 and practiced his profession in Centerville, Ohio, for thirty-five years, while during the past twenty-two years he has practiced in Akron, being now one of the oldest physicians in point of years of service in Ohio. During the Civil war he served four years in Company C, Ninth Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, under General Kilpatrick, remaining in the service until the close of the war. He is a democrat in his political affiliation and served as township trustee and many years as a notary public. He is an active member of Grace Methodist Episcopal church of Akron, of which he has been a trustee and steward for many years. He married Miss Susan E. Neff, who was born near Glencoe, Belmont county, Ohio, July 18, 1845, and who died in Akron, November 21, 1925. She was a daughter of Henry and Matilda (Hall) Neff, the former of whom was a native of Belmont county, Ohio, and died at the home of his daughter in Centerville. He had followed agricultural pursuits, owning a number of farms in Belmont county; gave his political support to the democratic party, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, also a native of Belmont county,

was a daughter of Vachel Hall, who was a pioneer circuit-rider of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was a charter member of the church of St. Clairsville, which has since been named the Thoburn Memorial church in honor of the Thoburn family, which produced Bishop J. M. Thoburn, who spent fifty years as a Methodist missionary in India, and his sister, Miss Isabella Thoburn, who went to India as a missionary, established the Isabella Thoburn College at Lucknow, India, and, after many years of effective service, died of cholera and is buried in that country. The Bishop was given a residence in Meadville, Pennsylvania, the seat of Allegheny College, from which he had graduated. Henry Neff was a son of George Neff, a farmer of Belmont county, Ohio.

William H. McMaster attended the public schools at Centerville, Ohio, and one year at the Belmont high school, in addition to which he took work at summer normal schools. He taught a district school two years at Oakland and in 1895 he entered Mount Union College, in which he completed the academic and college work, graduating in 1899 with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. He then entered Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, New Jersey, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1902, after which he attended New York University, from which he received the degree of Master of Arts in the same year. During 1903 and 1904 he attended the United Free Church College at Glasgow, Scotland. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1911 and that of Doctor of Laws from the University of Pittsburgh in 1926. In 1899 Dr. McMaster was ordained to the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church and during the ensuing two years served as pastor of the Bronxdale church in New York city. His next pastorate was the Elmhurst church in that city, where he served from 1901 to 1906, and then went to the Embury Memorial church in Brooklyn, where he remained until 1909. He then continued with the graduate school of New York University, all but completing his Ph. D. work, but on April 8, 1909, assumed the presidency of Mount Union College, which position he still holds.

On May 8, 1907, in Cleveland, Ohio, Dr. McMaster was united in marriage to Miss Isabella Thoburn Mills, who was born in Steubenville, Ohio, December 2, 1875, and is a daughter of the Rev. Dr. James R. and Eliza (Thoburn) Mills. Dr. Mills, who was born in Pennsylvania and died in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1908,

was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and held prominent pastorates in the Pittsburgh and East Ohio conferences. He was a graduate of Allegheny College and was a republican in politics. His wife was born near St. Clairsville, Ohio, and is now living with her daughter in Alliance. Dr. Mills was a son of James Mills, a business man of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Eliza (Thoburn) Mills is a daughter of Matthew Thoburn, who came from the north of Ireland and settled in Belmont county, Ohio, where he became a successful farmer. Mrs. McMaster was graduated from the Barnesville (Ohio) high school and from Lake Erie College at Painesville, Ohio. She took special music courses in Cleveland and was very active in the work of the Young Women's Christian Association in that city. She is a member of the Alliance Women's Club, the Coterie Club of Alliance, the Mount Union College Women's Club and of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Dr. and Mrs. McMaster are the parents of three children. Isabella Thoburn, born December 9, 1909, was graduated from the Alliance high school and is now a senior in Mount Union College. She is also a student in the conservatory of music of that institution. William Henry, Jr., born September 22, 1910, was graduated from the Alliance high school. Janet Lyle, born January 17, 1914, completes the family.

Dr. McMaster is nominally a republican in his political affiliation but is an independent voter. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, being a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Cleveland Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon college fraternity. He is a member of the National Educational Association and of the Religious Educational Association. The Doctor is a member of the local chapter of the Red Cross Society and during the World war was president of the Alliance Red Cross. He gave his active support to all local war measures and the campus of Mount Union College became a military camp, on which the government conducted a student army training camp. The Doctor has long been prominent in the larger work of the Methodist Episcopal church, having served for eight years as a member of the general book committee and was re-elected in 1928 for the same length of time. He was elected to the quadrennial general conferences held in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1920, and in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1924, and in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1928. He was a member of the

general conference committee which selected the city where the conference was to be held. He has taken a good citizen's interest in the welfare and progress of his home town and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Kindly and sympathetic in his relations with the student body of his college, cordial and friendly in manner, he is deservedly popular throughout the range of his acquaintance, and his record at the head of Mount Union College has gained for him wide recognition as a capable and successful educator.

DAVID BAXTER TURNIPSEED

One of the oldest active merchants in Stark county is David B. Turnipseed, of Alliance, who, though past four score years of age, is still conducting a prosperous business, being one of the veterans in mercantile affairs in this part of the state. He was born near Augusta, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 14th of June, 1846, and is a son of Henry and Alcinda (Rhodes) Turnipseed. The family is of German origin, the progenitor of the name in this country having been John Turnipseed, who was a knife manufacturer in Hesse Cassel, Germany, and left that country in company with two brothers, one of whom went south and one west, while John settled in Washington, D. C. He served in the Revolutionary war. He was the father of John Turnipseed, who was born in Maryland and became the proprietor of a silversmith shop in Washington, D. C., where his death occurred. He was a Lutheran in his religious faith and gave his political support to the whig party. Among his children was Henry Turnipseed, who was born in Maryland, not far from Leesburg, Virginia. He was a slave manager in Loudoun county, Virginia, but later became an abolitionist, supporting first the whig party and later the republican party. He was a member of the Lutheran church and he and his brother John served in the War of 1812. Removing to Ohio, his death occurred in Augusta, Carroll county, December 31, 1861. He married Miss Alcinda Rhodes, who was born in Loudoun county, Virginia, near Leesburg, and died at Augusta, Carroll county, Ohio, in 1875. She was a daughter of Samuel and Lidia (Cochran) Rhodes, and a cousin of Cecil Rhodes, who was one of

the leaders of the English parliament and who established a scholarship fund in each state of the Union. Her father was born in Loudoun county, Virginia, and became the owner of an estate near Leesburg, on which he kept a number of slaves. He was a member of the Lutheran church and voted the democratic ticket. His wife was born near Washington, D. C., and died near Leesburg, Virginia. Samuel Rhodes was a son of Joseph Rhodes, a native of England, who became a farmer near Leesburg, Virginia, where he died. He was also a slave owner; supported the democratic party and was a member of the Lutheran church.

David B. Turnipseed received his educational training in the public schools of Magnolia, Malvern and Augusta, Ohio, after which he worked on the home farm until sixteen years of age, when he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which became a part of the Second Brigade, Third Division, Sixth Army Corps. He was one of the defenders of Washington, D. C., and took part in twenty-six battles, including Gettysburg, the Wilderness and other important engagements and was present at the surrender of Lee's army at Appomatox Court House, Virginia. On entering the service at Steubenville, Ohio, he was unanimously elected corporal and at the close of the war was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant. In the same company with him was his brother, Samuel R. Turnipseed. Two other brothers, Henry and William served four years in the Civil war, Henry being a member of the Thirty-second Regiment, Sherman's army, and William, who enlisted in Wisconsin as a spy.

On returning to civil life David B. Turnipseed worked on a farm for three years, after which he was employed in a butcher shop owned by B. T. Norris, with whom he remained three years. He then opened a butcher shop of his own at Augusta, Ohio, where he later established a general store, and subsequently conducted a general store at Kensington, Ohio, for three years and then sold. He next went to Hudson, Ohio, where he bought the old Mansion House and was in the hotel business for twenty-two months. Thirty-eight years ago Mr. Turnipseed came to Alliance and became a retail salesman for Koch Brothers, dealers in men's furnishings, with whom he remained for eight years, after which he opened a store of his own where he is still located at 514 East Main street. He was at first in partnership with Sylves-

ter Lipley, under the firm name of Turnipseed & Lipley, but at the end of six months he bought out his partner and sold an interest in the business to Sylvester Stiffy, the firm of Turnipseed & Stiffy conducting the business for twenty years. In 1925 Mr. Turnipseed acquired the sole ownership of the business, which he has since conducted under his own name, with his son, Jason H., as active manager of the store. Mr. Turnipseed has been in business for over fifty years. He has been successful in his material affairs and was one of the incorporators of the Alliance Brick Company and was formerly a stockholder in the People's Bank Company of Alliance.

On July 22, 1872, in Augusta, Ohio, Mr. Turnipseed was united in marriage to Miss Olive Roach, who was born in 1854, a daughter of Dr. J. B. and Delilah (Ashbrook) Roach. Dr. Roach was born near Minerva, Ohio, and was long engaged in the practice of medicine, from which he had retired some time prior to his death at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Turnipseed, in Alliance. He was a veteran of the Civil war, was a great student and a gifted orator. He supported the republican party and was a member of the Christian church. His wife was born at Augusta, Carroll county, Ohio, and died in Alliance. Mr. and Mrs. Turnipseed are the parents of two children. Jason H., born July 22, 1875, was educated in the public schools of Hudson and Alliance and in early life was a telegraph operator, but later was for eighteen years employed as a die sinker by Transue & Williams, and is now manager of his father's store. He married Miss Lou Emma Howenstein, of Canton, Ohio. Vera May, born in Augusta, Ohio, January 11, 1882, is the wife of Charles Woolslair, of Alliance, a machinist and a veteran of the Spanish-American war.

Mr. Turnipseed is a member of the Christian church, of which he has been a deacon. He has taken an effective interest in religious matters and has contributed to the erection of three churches, one in Augusta, one in Hudson, and one in Alliance. He is a stanch republican in his political views and voted for Abraham Lincoln at Frederick City, Maryland, when but seventeen years of age. In Masonry he has attained the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites and belongs to Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 6, K. T.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; a life member of Canton Consistory, A. A. S. R., and a member of Al

Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland. He is also a life member of Lone Rock Lodge, No. 23, K. P., and belongs to Tripp Lodge, No. 491, I. O. O. F., of Carroll, Ohio; Alliance Encampment, No. 104, I. O. O. F.; and Lincoln Post, G. A. R. He raised the money for the Lincoln statue in Alliance and also stood good for the World war and Spanish-American war veterans' statue in Cleveland, saving two thousand dollars on the cost and contributing three hundred dollars. Mr. Turnipseed has in his possession a newspaper, "The Gazett," which his father brought from Loudoun county, Virginia, in which is given an account of George Washington's death and funeral and contains John Quincy Adams' message to congress and the senate.

During all the years of his residence here Mr. Turnipseed has maintained a live interest in the welfare of the city along material, civic and moral lines and has consistently supported every measure for the improvement or betterment of the community. He has had a long and useful career and now in the golden sunset period of his life is able to enjoy a well earned leisure. A man of sterling character and kindly and generous disposition, he has a host of warm friends throughout this locality and commands the unqualified respect of all who know him.

BENJAMIN F. STANTON

Benjamin F. Stanton has for fifteen years been at the head of the Alliance public schools and during this period has added to his already established reputation as an able, devoted and popular educator, the city schools under his supervision having been maintained at a high standard of work and efficiency.

Mr. Stanton was born in Ashtabula county, Ohio, and is a son of John and Lucy (Fitts) Stanton. The father was of New England ancestry, and a son of Ruel and Elizabeth (Griggs) Stanton, the former of whom was born in Connecticut and the latter in Massachusetts, and both died at Kingsville, Ohio. Ruel Stanton, who was a farmer by occupation, was a pioneer of Ohio, having come to this state in the spring of 1813 and settled in Kingsville township, Ashtabula county, where he spent the remaining years

of his life. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Presbyterian church.

John Stanton was born in Ashtabula county, Ohio, November 1, 1832, and died there in 1902. He devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and was a highly respected and influential citizen of his community. In politics he was a democrat and he served as a justice of the peace. He belonged to the Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Trumbull county, Ohio, March 16, 1833, and died in Ashtabula, June 3, 1908. She was a daughter of Harvey and Polly (Gilbert) Fitts, the former of whom was born in Orange, Connecticut, in 1801, and died in Andover, Ohio, in 1883. Mr. Fitts was a woolen manufacturer and a member of the Congregational church and supported the republican party. His wife was born in Connecticut and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Stanton, in Ashtabula county, Ohio, in 1896.

Benjamin F. Stanton attended preparatory schools at Austinsburg and Canfield, Ohio, and then entered Oberlin College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1896. He was graduated from Harvard University in 1900 with the degree of Master of Arts, and then became principal of the high school at Salem, Ohio, where he served until 1909. During the following four years he was superintendent of the public schools at Ashland, Kentucky, and in 1913 became superintendent of the schools of Alliance, which position he has filled in a very acceptable manner to the present time. He is a man of marked executive ability, keeps in close touch with the most advanced educational methods and has devoted himself indefatigably to the interests of the schools, thereby attaining noteworthy results.

On August 24, 1898, at Salem, Ohio, Mr. Stanton was united in marriage to Miss Mary A. Young, who was born in that city and is a daughter of Martin L. and Barbara (Flick) Young. Mr. Young, who is also a native of Salem, was for many years successfully engaged in the insurance business but is now retired, spending his winters in Florida and his summers in Salem or Alliance. He served in the Union army during the Civil war, gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Christian church. His wife was born near Canfield, Ohio, and died in Florida in 1922. Mrs. Stanton attended the grade schools of Salem and continued her studies at Canfield, after which she took special work during one summer at Hiram College, and one

summer at the University of Michigan. She taught school one year in Iowa and a few years in Ohio prior to her marriage. She is an active member of the Presbyterian church and its societies, the Young Women's Christian Association, and the Women's Club of Alliance. In 1925 Mr. and Mrs. Stanton were abroad with the American Seminar for the purpose of studying international problems.

Mr. Stanton is a member of J. E. McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., of Cleveland; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., also of Cleveland, and belongs to the Rotary Club, of which he is a director, and the Chamber of Commerce. He has for a number of years been chairman of Alliance chapter of the Red Cross Society, and during the World war spent part of a summer in Young Men's Christian Association work at Camp Sherman, Ohio, and was later active in the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives. He is now a member of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., and a member of the Presbyterian church, standing consistently for all that is best in life. He has long held a high place in the educational circles of this state and served for five years on the state board of examiners. For a number of years he was executive secretary of the Northeastern Ohio Teachers Association, which meets annually in Cleveland and has an attendance of over ten thousand. One summer he lectured on the Chautauqua platform in Iowa and another summer on the Pacific coast. Cordial and unaffected in manner, candid and straightforward in all of his relations and deeply interested in the mental, moral and physical development of the youth of Alliance, he is regarded as one of the representative men of the community and commands the confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

EDWARD E. BENDER

The Bender restaurant, cafeteria and grill, of which Edward E. Bender is the proprietor, has become very popular throughout this section of Ohio. Mr. Bender has always resided in Canton, his birth occurring at the family residence on East Tuscarawas street on the 19th of March, 1871, his parents being James K. P. and



EDWARD E. BENDER

Elizabeth (Spuhler) Bender. He is a grandson of Everhard Bender, a native of Pyrmaseus, Rhenish Bavaria, Germany, whence he came to the United States in young manhood, settling first in New York city, where he met and married Henrietta Werne. Many years ago he came to Ohio, taking up his abode in Bolivar, while subsequently he settled in Canton. His son, James K. P. Bender, was born on Staten Island, New York, November 9, 1844, and in early life came to Canton with his parents. He married Elizabeth Spuhler, a native of Switzerland, and continued his residence in Canton until the time of his demise in 1889.

In his youthful days Edward E. Bender attended the public schools of his native city and afterward enjoyed the advantage of further educational training in the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He wedded Anna M. Behm, a daughter of George Behm, a veteran of the Civil war, whose residence in Canton covers an extended period.

Edward E. Bender has made for himself a creditable position in the business circles of Canton, where for twenty-seven years he has conducted a well appointed restaurant and grill, making it the leading establishment of the kind in the city. He is also interested financially and as a director of the George D. Harter Bank as well as other of Canton's outstanding industries. For eighteen years he owned and operated several of Canton's theaters and show places but has lately disposed of these. He is a member of the Canton Lake Club and the Congress Lake Club and is a democrat in politics, always taking an active interest in public affairs, although he has never cared for office. Social and genial by nature, he has gained many friends and everywhere is spoken of in terms of high regard.

STANFORD M. SWARTS

Stanford M. Swarts, who retired from the mayoralty of Canton, January 1, 1928, is one of the best known citizens of Ohio, his official record having gained for him an enviable reputation as a broad-minded, capable, honest and unselfish public servant, while his administration will ever be regarded as one of the most efficient in the history of Canton.

Mr. Swarts was born in Wayne county, Ohio, on the 9th of November, 1868, a son of Franklin P. and Ellen (Merkel) Swarts. He is the scion of an old Ohio family of German origin, the American progenitor having been Henry Swarts, who came from Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, in a very early day and settled in Berks county, Pennsylvania. In 1832 he removed to Ohio, locating in Chester township, Wayne county, where he engaged in milling, and he constructed his mill, as well as his home, from trees hewn in the neighboring forest. He was a skilled cabinetmaker by trade, being the first to follow that vocation in this section of the state, and he made all of the coffins required there for many years. He made all of his own furniture, as well as that for many of his neighbors, and was regarded as one of the most useful men in his community.

Franklin P. Swarts followed farming and stock raising as a vocation and spent the major portion of his life in Clinton township, Wayne county. His death occurred in 1901, when he was fifty-nine years of age. He was too young to serve in the Civil war but had four brothers in the Union army, three of whom lost their lives on the field of battle. Ellen (Merkel) Swarts was born in Wayne county, Ohio, and was a daughter of Michael and Hester (Keim) Merkel. The Merckels, who were of German descent, were early settlers in Berks county, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Swarts died in 1898 at the age of sixty-two years. To Mr. and Mrs. Swarts were born five children, three sons and two daughters, all of whom are living.

Stanford M. Swarts, who is the oldest, secured his early education in the public schools of Shreve, Wayne county, and took preparatory work at Wooster College with the intention of preparing himself for the legal profession. To this end he read law in Wooster for two years under the Hon. Lyman P. Critchfield, at the end of which time he abandoned his plan and became connected with the Morgan Engineering Company at Alliance, Ohio, with which concern he continued for ten years. Removing then to Canton, he became manager of the Canton Steel & Foundry Company, which position he filled for twelve years.

When the United States entered the World war, Mr. Swarts went to Washington, D. C., and offered his services to the government. He was accepted and was assigned to the metallurgical department, under General Ruggles, chief of ordnance. He was

made supervisor of inspectors, in which capacity he served until the close of the war. He then returned to Canton but shortly afterward went to Denver, Colorado, where for three years he served as sales engineer and assistant manager of the Queen City Iron & Steel Company. He again returned to Canton and, in November, 1925, was elected mayor by a large majority on the democratic ticket, assuming the office on January 1st following. During the two years in which he administered the affairs of the city he devoted himself indefatigably to the advancement of its best interests, initiating a number of reforms in the municipal government and simplifying a number of intricate problems, while in a material way many needed improvements were made, many miles of streets being paved, the sewer system extended and the sanitary condition of the city bettered. He made an honest effort to rid the city of vicious control and contaminating political influences, having always before him the thought of what was best for the city as a whole, and his faithful service gained for him a second nomination for the office which he had so capably filled. However, he was defeated for reelection and has since his retirement from the office not engaged in any definite business.

In 1890, at Shreve, Ohio, Mr. Swarts was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Kean, who was born in Ashland, Ashland county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Augustus and Nancy Magdalene (Brubaker) Kean, both of whom were members of old Ohio families. To Mr. and Mrs. Swarts have been born three children, as follows: Fren Kean, who married Miss Minnie McLean and they have four children; Gladys, who is the wife of Whitney A. Rudy, of Lakewood, Cuyahoga county, Ohio; and Miles, who married Miss Nora Welsh, and they have a son, Miles, Jr.

Mr. Swarts has been a lifelong supporter of the democratic party and has maintained a deep interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Optimist Club, and he and his wife are active members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Swarts is active in church and missionary work and is a member of the Ladies Democratic Club and the United Spanish-American War Veterans Auxiliary. Mr. Swarts was for over twenty-seven years a member of the Ohio National Guard and during the Spanish-American war he served as first lieutenant of Company H, Eighth Regiment Ohio Infantry. He is a man of clean character and sterling

integrity in motive and action, has lived a consistent life and has always stood for those things which tend to better the public welfare. Because of his splendid record, as well as for his fine personal qualities, he commands to a marked degree the confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

ROY D. DEMMER

Roy D. Demmer, who conducts an up-to-date hardware store at 537 Tremont street southwest, Massillon, has been engaged in business there for eleven years, during which period he has realized a gratifying measure of material success, and at the same time has won the confidence of those who have dealt with him.

Mr. Demmer was born in York township, Medina county, Ohio, on the 4th of February, 1886, a son of Aaron A. and Anna (Killer) Demmer. He attended the public schools of Lorain, Lorain county, and spent one year at Ohio State University. He later entered the employ of the Standard Hardware Company at Lorain, with which concern he remained three years, and was with the W. Bingham Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, one year. He spent two years in East Palestine and three years in Columbiana, after which he came to Massillon, where he has since resided. In 1917 he purchased a hardware store on Tremont street, which he conducted until 1922. In that year he entered into partnership with B. B. Willard and opened another store on Main street, conducting the two stores until 1924, when the partnership was dissolved. Mr. Demmer then became sole owner of the store on Tremont street and has since given his attention to the business there. He carries a large and complete stock of shelf and heavy hardware, sporting goods and tools, which he displays in an attractive manner, and is commanding his full share of the local trade in his line.

On August 30, 1911, Mr. Demmer married Miss Nora Hard, of Preston, Minnesota, and they are the parents of three children, Darwin, Adelaide and Delbert. In his political views Mr. Demmer is a democrat, and he has shown a commendable interest in the public affairs of his city, being a member of the city park commission, of which he is president, and the city planning commission. He belongs to all branches of the Masonic order, and is a

member of the Kiwanis Club; the Massillon Automobile Club, of which he is a director; and the Chamber of Commerce. His religious connection is with the Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal church, and throughout the community he is held in high esteem because of his good business record and his sterling qualities of character.

ALBERT G. ZANG

The Zang family has for many years been actively identified with the jewelry business in Alliance and for over thirty years Albert G. Zang has been a member of the well known firm of J. A. Zang & Son, having been the sole owner of the business since the death of his father. He has had an honorable career and has always commanded his full share of the business in his line here.

Mr. Zang was born in Alliance, Ohio, on the 19th of July, 1876, a son of Julius A. and Ada (Purdy) Zang. He was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1894, after which he attended the Horological School at La Porte, Indiana. He entered the employ of his father, for whom he worked until 1897, when he was admitted to a partnership in the business, which has been run under the name of J. A. Zang & Son to the present time. Thus for over sixty years the name of Zang has stood prominently among the leading mercantile establishments of Alliance, and Albert G. Zang has ably sustained the high reputation established by his father.

On September 6, 1900, in Alliance, Mr. Zang was united in marriage to Miss Mayme M. Reeves, who was born in Niles, Ohio, May 18, 1877, and is a daughter of George and Mary (McIntosh) Reeves, both natives of England. Mr. Reeves, who was long engaged in the manufacturing business, died in Alliance, where his widow is still living. Mrs. Zang was educated in the public schools of Niles and studied music at Mount Union College. She is a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority and the Alliance Women's Club and is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. and Mrs. Zang are the parents of three daughters. Kathryn Reeves, born February, 1903, was graduated from the Georgetown Visitation Convent, at Washington, D. C., and became the

wife of Robert Hess, who is connected with the Central Alloy Steel Company at Massillon, and they have a daughter, Susan. Gretchen Reeves, born August 12, 1905, attended the Georgetown Visitation Convent, was graduated from the Laurel School at Cleveland and is now a senior in the Miss Wheelock School at Boston, Massachusetts. Barbara Reeves, the youngest of the family, was born November 11, 1917.

Mr. Zang is an independent voter but can always be counted upon in support of all measures for the betterment of the community. During the World war he served on the Liberty Loan committee, with which he did effective work. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary Club, the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His favorite form of recreation is golf and he is an extremely popular member of the social circles to which he belongs, while throughout the community he is held in high esteem as business man and citizen.

HARRY N. MYERS

Harry N. Myers, of Massillon, who until recently was connected with the Fulton Pit Car Company, is a man of marked business ability and enterprising methods, and both in Canal Fulton and Massillon is held in high regard. He was born in Canal Fulton, Stark county, on the 15th of September, 1886, a son of William N. and Mary Jane (Kirk) Myers. His paternal grandfather, William G. Myers, was one of the pioneer settlers of this county. Harry N. Myers attended the public and high schools of Canal Fulton and had one year in Mount Union College. In 1904 he became associated with the Fulton Pit Car Company, in the operation of which he took an active and prominent part until his recent resignation, since which time he has devoted his attention to his private business affairs. He is a director of the Exchange Bank of Canal Fulton.

In 1916 Mr. Myers was united in marriage to Miss Ruby Shilling, of Canal Fulton, and they are the parents of a son, Harry N., Jr. He has always been an active supporter of the republican party and long took a leading part in local public affairs, having

served as a member of the city council and was mayor of his city in 1925, during which time much advancement was made in street paving. He is a member of Canal Fulton Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; the Knights of Pythias, and the Rotary Club, of which he is secretary and a director. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church. A man of positive character, sound views on public questions and straightforward in manner, he is regarded as a good citizen of his community, well worthy of the respect and esteem in which he is uniformly held, and has a large circle of loyal friends.

FREDERIC JULIUS ZANG

Frederic Julius Zang is actively and successfully engaged in business as secretary of the Lamborn Floral Company of Alliance, one of the most extensive and important concerns of its kind in Stark county. He was born July 20, 1880, to the marriage of Julius A. and Ada (Purdy) Zang, who are mentioned at length on another page of this work. He acquired his early education as a public school pupil of Alliance and subsequently pursued a course of study in Mount Union College. His initial business training was received with the Bell Telephone Company, in the service of which he remained for a time, and then he joined his father in the jewelry business under the firm style of J. A. Zang & Son. In 1920 he sold his interest to his brother, Albert G. Zang, and became associated with his father-in-law, LeRoy L. Lamborn, in the conduct of the Lamborn Floral Company, of which he has since served as secretary.

On the 1st of October, 1908, Mr. Zang was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Lamborn, daughter of LeRoy L. and Mary Christine (Weybrecht) Lamborn, to whom more extended reference is made in another part of this publication. Mr. and Mrs. Zang are the parents of a son, LeRoy L., who was born January 8, 1916, and is attending school. Mrs. Zang is a high school graduate and also completed courses of study in the Lasell Seminary for Young Women at Auburndale, Massachusetts, and in the Boston Art School. She has membership in the Alliance Women's Club.

There is an interesting military chapter in the life record of

Mr. Zang, for he is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, in which he served with the Eighth Ohio Regiment in Cuba. He is a member of Crubaugh Camp of the Spanish War Veterans. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, belonging to Conrad Lodge, No. 271, A. F. & A. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, S. P. R. S., of Cleveland; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. His name is also on the membership roll of the National Sojourners, a national Masonic association. Further fraternal associations connect him with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias, and he likewise belongs to the Alliance Country Club, the Congress Lake Country Club and the Cleveland Athletic Club. Golf, fishing and hunting constitute his favorite forms of recreation. Actively and helpfully interested in civic affairs, he has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and in the Alliance Rotary Club, of which he served as president during the years 1927 and 1928.

M. LUTHER KEAGY

M. Luther Keagy, who stands in the front rank of the expert and successful photographers of Canton, has attained this position through his persistent and determined effort and through his deep interest in his life work, in which he has exhibited artistic ability of the highest order. Mr. Keagy was born in Chambersburg, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, on the 10th of April, 1883, and is a son of Henry and Margaret Elizabeth (Moore) Keagy. His father, also a native of Pennsylvania, was descended from Swiss stock. The Keagy family originated at Zurich, Switzerland, and the grandfather, Rudolph Keagy, third son of Rudolph, was born July 3, 1794, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he died June 17, 1866, at George W. Keagy's home. The grandmother, Sarah Jane Douglas, daughter of a Revolutionary war soldier, married Rudolph about 1823 or 1824. She was a descendant of the Royal house of Douglas of Scotland. Henry Keagy, father of M. Luther Keagy, was the fifth child of this couple. He was reared and educated in Chambersburg and in boyhood was bound out to learn the trade of shoemaking, a vocation which he followed during the

greater portion of his life. In 1889 he brought his family to Canton, Ohio, where he resided until his death, which occurred in 1893, at the age of fifty-five years. He was a devout Christian, having been a member of the Evangelical Lutheran church during his early years, but on coming to Canton he joined the Presbyterian church, of which he remained a faithful member. Politically he was a republican. His wife, also a native of Pennsylvania, was of Scotch-Irish descent, the family having settled in the old Keystone state in a very early day. She died in Canton in 1922, at the age of seventy-five years. To Mr. and Mrs. Keagy were born twelve children, five of whom grew to mature years, but only two are now living, M. Luther and Samuel, who resides in Altoona, Pennsylvania.

M. Luther Keagy secured his education in the West North Street school in Canton. From the age of twelve years he took an active interest in photography, of which he gained a practical knowledge in the studio of his two brothers, who were engaged in that business. He has inherited a love for the art, as members of the family for three generations had been engaged in photography, including a grand-uncle and a great-grand-uncle, James Keagy portrait painter and photographer, having had a studio in Pennsylvania over one hundred years ago, continuing that business until his death. Mr. Keagy possesses many of the original daguerreotypes taken by his ancestors, as well as the cameras and other paraphernalia used by them, and prizes them highly. When sixteen years of age he went to work for Samuel D. Hanna, a pioneer photographer of Canton, under whom he became a proficient artist. In April, 1905, Mr. Keagy established his present business, leasing a lot at the corner of Cleveland avenue and Fifth street northwest, where now stands the plant of the Repository Printing Company. He borrowed three thousand five hundred dollars, but, in order to conserve his capital, he erected with his own hands the building in which he started business. Success attended him from the start, for people soon recognized the fact that he thoroughly understood his business and found him a man of pleasing address and courteous manner. In a short time he was compelled to secure larger quarters and moved to his present location at 108 Sixth street northwest. Here he has a complete and up-to-date equipment and is commanding the patronage of the representative people of the city.

On June 27, 1906, in Canton, Mr. Keagy was united in marriage to Miss Adauh Elizabeth Lisbae, who was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and is a daughter of John J. and Elizabeth (Quinn) Lisbae, of an old Ohio family, of French Canadian origin. Mrs. Keagy is a charter member of the Canton Women's Club but does not now take an active part in its work, devoting her time closely to her home and family. Mr. and Mrs. Keagy are the parents of two children, Charles Luther, born in 1917, and Robert Lester, born in May, 1920. Mr. Keagy gives his political support to the republican party, and is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Loyal Order of Moose. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian church. Mr. Keagy is of an inventive turn of mind and has devised several contrivances of a practical nature, which are now in general use, including an embroidery hoop machine and an automatic grease cup, for machinery and pulleys. He is a man of broad views, maintains a live interest in matters affecting the welfare of his community, and is regarded as one of Canton's best citizens.

CLARENCE W. STUART

Clarence W. Stuart, president and treasurer of The C. W. Stuart Realty Company, is one of Massillon's most enterprising business men and for twelve years has conducted a prosperous real estate agency. He was born on a farm at Lincoln, Ohio, July 15, 1876, and is a son of John T. and Margaret (Drummond) Stuart. He received his educational training in the public schools and Rio Grande College, after which he engaged in teaching for about four years. He taught school for several terms in Ohio and Tennessee and then went to Huntington, West Virginia, where he established a produce business, which commanded his attention for ten years. In 1916 Mr. Stuart came to Massillon and entered the real estate business, in which he continued alone until 1920, when, having met with encouraging success, he organized and incorporated The C. W. Stuart Realty Company, of which he is the head. He is also a director and the head of The Charity Rotch Realty Company, of Massillon, and The North Market Realty Company, of Canton, all of which have been prosperous concerns. A man of great energy



CLARENCE W. STUART

and up-to-date ideas and methods, he has built up a large business in Stark county and has gained a well merited reputation for reliability in all of his dealings.

Mr. Stuart has been married twice, first, in 1897, to Miss Catherine Davis, to which union were born two children, John and Margaret. John gained a wide reputation as an athlete while a student in Ohio State University and for four years was a successful baseball pitcher with the St. Louis National League team. In 1918 Mr. Stuart married Miss Kathryn Rees, of Meyersdale, Pennsylvania, and they have two children, Clarence W., Jr., and Charles Thomas.

Mr. Stuart has always given his political support to the republican party and has shown a good citizen's interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary Club, and the Chamber of Commerce, of which he was formerly a director. His religious connection is with the Methodist Episcopal church, and he has consistently given his support to those things which tend to promote the well-being of society. Through his business activities he has contributed to the development of Massillon and has gained a high place in public esteem because of his enterprise, his honorable methods and his cordial and friendly manner.

JULIUS A. ZANG

Julius A. Zang was born in St. Leon, Baden Baden, Germany, March 18, 1845, and was about eight years of age when brought to this country by his parents. His father was Albert Zang, a native of Germany, who came to this country about 1853 and settled in Monroe, Michigan, where he built up a large business as a watch and clock maker. He had taken part in the German revolution and came to America as a refugee. He was a personal friend of Carl Schurz, secretary of the interior under President Hayes, and they came to the United States at the same time. They corresponded until Mr. Zang's death.

Julius A. Zang received his educational training in the public schools of Monroe, Michigan, which he supplemented by habits of constant study and close observation, and he became a well

informed man on a wide range of subjects. In 1865, at the time President Lincoln's body was lying in state in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Zang came to Alliance to accept a position with a jeweler by the name of Reiter but a short time later went to Youngstown, where he was offered a larger salary. Because of the illness of Mr. Reiter, Mr. Zang was induced to return to Alliance and take charge of the Reiter store, which he ran until the business was disposed of. Mr. Zang then engaged in the jewelry business on his own account, opening a store in the Ellett building about 1866. Later he admitted to partnership a Mr. Smith and the business was run under the name of Smith & Zang for a few years, when Mr. Zang sold his interest and engaged in business alone on the site of the present Zang store, though at that time he occupied a small one-story frame building, and there he conducted business continuously up to the time of his death, which occurred May 22, 1925. He was an expert workman, who demanded the best quality of work on the part of his employes, and this fact, together with his honorable business methods, gained for him a high place in the public confidence. He was a personal friend of Sherwood V. Courtney, the Canton photographer. He maintained an independent attitude in political matters and was a free thinker in religion, though broad in his views and giving financial support to all denominations. He was greatly interested in everything that related to the welfare and progress of his community and served as a member of the board of education when the high school building was erected. He was one of the founders of the First National Bank, of which he was a director for a number of years, and was also one of the organizers of the McCaskey Register Company. He was true to every obligation of citizenship and served as foreman of the jury that acquitted Mrs. George, who was tried for the shooting of William McKinley's brother-in-law.

Mr. Zang was married twice, first to Miss Flora Hoover of Alliance, who was the first child born in this city. To this union was born one child, Percy, who died in infancy. For his second wife Mr. Zang chose Miss Ada Purdy, who was born at Mogadore, Ohio, September 30, 1853, and who is still living in Alliance. She is a daughter of Gurdon and Matilda (Churchill) Purdy, the former of whom was born in Mogadore and the latter in Churchill, Canada. Both died in Salem, this state. Mr. Purdy, who was engaged in the manufacture of pottery, was a republican in his

political views, and he and his wife were affiliated with the Presbyterian church. To Mr. and Mrs. Zang were born two sons, Albert G. and Frederic Julius, who are mentioned elsewhere in this work.

WILLIAM HERBERT TRANSUE

After many years of close connection with important industrial interests in Alliance, William H. Transue has now retired from active business. He is a member of one of Stark county's honored old families, representatives of which have taken a prominent part in the development of its manufacturing interests over a long period. He was born in Alliance on the 6th of June, 1874, and is a son of Frank and Amanda J. (Aultman) Transue. Extended mention of the father is made on another page of this volume.

William H. Transue was graduated from the Alliance high school and then became associated with the Transue & Williams Company, becoming an expert die sinker under the direction of his father, as did also his brothers, O. F. and Charles Transue, both of whom are now deceased. He thoroughly learned the technical details of the business; was advanced to the position of foreman and eventually became assistant general manager, in which capacity he served up to the time of his retirement in May, 1927. He was connected with the Transue & Williams Company for thirty-two years and was a member of the board of directors for over twenty years.

On the 11th of March, 1898, in Alliance, Mr. Transue was united in marriage to Miss Margaret M. Jones, who was born in Kansas City, Kansas, September 17, 1880, and is a daughter of Thomas D. and Margaret (Walters) Jones. Her father was born in Wales in April, 1845, and for many years followed market gardening in Alliance, where he died March 5, 1916. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the Welsh Methodist church of Cleveland. His wife was also a native of Wales, born in November, 1849, and during her childhood was brought to the United States by her parents, Daniel and Rachel (Oliver) Walters, who became early settlers of Alliance, Ohio. Mrs. Jones, who was also a member of the Welsh Methodist church, passed away in Cleve-

land, Ohio, April 7, 1922. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Jones were Minnie, who married Mr. William Sphuler, of Massillon, Ohio, and died in 1915; Rachel, who became the wife of Joseph Webb, of Cleveland; David, a resident of Alliance; Daniel, a resident of Youngstown, Ohio; Margaret, now Mrs. Transue; and Maud, the wife of David Artherholt, of Cleveland. Mrs. Transue was graduated from the Alliance high school and is an active member of the Christian church, belonging also to the Alliance Women's Club, the Matrons and Maids Whist Club and is patroness of the Alpha Chi sorority.

Mr. Transue is a republican in his political views and is a member of the First Christian church, while socially he belongs to the Congress Lake Club and the Alliance Country Club. He is a gentleman of sterling character, straightforward manner and cordial in his social relations, and well deserves the high place which he holds in public esteem throughout the city in which he has spent his life.

GEORGE W. YANNEY

George W. Yanney, chief engineer for the Alliance Machine Company, has gained his present responsible position by persistent effort, faithful and efficient performance of duty and a genuine interest in his vocation. He has been with his present company for over twenty-five years and is regarded as one of its most valuable employees.

Mr. Yanney was born in Wilmot, Stark county, on the 7th of June, 1876, a son of Jacob and Mary (Strome) Yanney. His father was a native of Switzerland, and learned the trade of a tailor, which he followed after coming to this country, though he also devoted considerable attention to farming. His death occurred at Dundee, Ohio. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and in politics was a democrat and held a number of minor offices. His wife, who was a native of this state and died at Dundee, was a daughter of Peter Strome. To Jacob and Mary Yanney were born eight children, namely: George W., of this review; Benjamin Franklin, who is instructor in mathematics and astronomy in Wooster College; Mrs. John Froelich, deceased; Mrs. Louis

Slife and Mrs. Frank Spangler, of Bryan, Ohio; Mrs. Frank Schwarm and Mrs. Horace King, of Canton, Ohio; and Mrs. John Bingham, of Alliance.

George W. Yanney was graduated from Dundee high school and attended Mount Union College two years, after which he taught school for seven years. He then became an apprentice mechanical engineer with the Morgan Engineering Company, remaining with that concern until 1902, when he entered the employ of the Alliance Machine Company, where he completed his apprenticeship as a mechanical engineer. He has remained with that concern until the present time and during this period has been promoted several times, having served successively as draftsman, checker, chief draftsman, assistant chief engineer and chief engineer, and in the last position he is still serving. He is an expert in his special line of work and by his individual efforts has contributed to the success of his company.

On March 1, 1925, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Yanney was united in marriage to Miss Phoebe Pierson, a daughter of David and Caroline (Bach) Pierson. Her father, who was born in Birmingham, England, was an iron moulder by occupation, but is now retired. He and his wife, who is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, are now living in Tampa, Florida. Mr. Pierson is a republican in politics and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. To him and his wife were born six children, namely: Phoebe, now Mrs. Yanney; James, a resident of Honolulu, where he is serving in the United States navy; Mrs. Charles Johnston, of Alliance; Mrs. C. E. Coffin, of Mesa, Arizona; Flora Louise, of Alliance; and Clara, of Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Yanney graduated from the Alliance high school in 1921, and then entered Mount Union College, from which she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1926. She is a member of the Presbyterian church and served for five years as secretary of her church. She belongs to the Alpha Chi Omega sorority of Mount Union College. Mr. and Mrs. Yanney are the parents of two children, George Franklin, born February 17, 1926; and Flora Cecil, born February 24, 1928.

Mr. Yanney has always been a republican in his political affiliation and has been actively interested in local public affairs, having served two years as a member of the city council. He is also deeply interested in the work of the First Presbyterian church, of which he is treasurer and a member of the board of trustees. He belongs

to Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland, and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland. He also belongs to the Sigma Nu college fraternity, the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce. A man of splendid personality and true and consistent in all of life's relations, he has well merited the high place which he holds in the esteem of his fellowmen.

OLIVER F. TRANSUE

Time furnishes the true perspective which places a man in his real relation to his community and his generation. Almost three years have passed since Oliver F. Transue was called to his final rest and those who were his associates when he was still an active factor in the world's work regard him more and more as one who contributed in large and valuable measure to the development and progress of Alliance and of Stark county. For a number of years he conducted an extensive and profitable business as president of the Transue & Williams Drop Forging Company and he also had various other business connections, each enterprise with which he was associated constituting a factor in community development. At all times he measured up to the highest standards of manhood and citizenship and his life story illustrates most clearly what can be accomplished through individual effort intelligently directed. As Emerson has said, "there is no history except biography," and the record of Mr. Transue is therefore of great value in presenting an important chapter in the development and improvement of Alliance.

A native of Ohio, he was born in 1867, his parents having been Frank and Amanda J. (Aultman) Transue, of whom further mention is made elsewhere in this work.

He was reared in Alliance; pursued his education in the public schools and in 1895, when about twenty-eight years of age, he joined his father, Frank Transue, and Silas J. Williams in organizing the Transue & Williams Company for the manufacture of drop forgings. He was actively connected with the business during its initial stages, during the period of its later growth and

subsequently when it had become one of the foremost industrial enterprises of the city. For a long period he was its president and general manager and his executive ability and keen business discrimination enabled him to wisely direct the affairs of the company and make it one of the profitable business concerns of the city. His cooperation was also eagerly sought in other connections and many business interests profited by his clear vision and unfaltering energy. He became the president of the Buckeye Jack Manufacturing Company and of the Buckeye Twist Drill Company. He was also a director of the McCaskey Register Company and the Republic Stamping & Enameling Company, while in financial circles he was prominently known through his association with the directorate of the Alliance First National Bank and the Midland Bank Company of Cleveland.

Mr. Transue had an extensive circle of warm friends and was much beloved by his associates. Those in his employ knew him for a just and considerate employer, always watchful of their interests and fair in his treatment. To his diversified business interests he gave the closest and most discriminating attention and his associates looked to him for wise counsel and invariably accepted his viewpoint on matters relating to the management and development of the business enterprises with which he was allied. So intelligently were his efforts directed that success in substantial measure was his reward and he rejoiced in his prosperity because of the good that it enabled him to do. He was extremely generous to those in need and was constantly holding out a helping hand to those who required assistance.

ALLIANCE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

One of the oldest and most influential financial institutions of Stark county is the Alliance First National Bank, which for years has stood as one of the bulwarks of the commercial and industrial prosperity of this section of the state. The Alliance Bank Company started business on the site of the present bank and office building on June 22, 1872, as the First National Bank of Alliance. On July 19, 1882, the charter of the bank was changed to enable it to operate under state supervision and the name Alliance

Bank Company was adopted. The first directors were John Atwell, P. H. Barr, Charles Kay, M. C. Pennock, Willard Johnston, N. L. Wann, Francis D. Carr, Louis Ely and Richard Lee, while the officers were John Atwell, president; Peter H. Barr, vice president; H. C. Ellison, cashier; and W. C. Pippit, solicitor. At the time of the change to a state bank the officers were John Atwell, president; Morris C. Pennock, vice president; Willis H. Ramsey, cashier and secretary. At that time the resources of the bank were two hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars, and in 1913 so steady and substantial had been its growth that it was decided to erect a new six-story bank and office building, into which the bank moved January 9, 1915, the resources at that time being over one and a half million dollars.

The First National Bank was organized in the summer of 1887 and was first located where now stand the offices of the Ohio Public Service Company. The first directors were R. W. Teeters, H. N. Brown, J. A. Zang, Solomon Hartzell, C. C. Davidson, W. M. Reed, A. S. Bloomfield, P. J. Gaume, Isaac Wilson, Elisha Teeters, E. E. Scranton, Joseph L. Shunk, Joseph Maudro, M. S. Atkinson and Leroy D. Brown, while the officers were R. W. Teeters, president; C. C. Davidson, vice president; Leroy D. Brown, cashier. The bank remained at the Main street location until 1905, and when it moved into a splendid new structure on the public square, which at that time was regarded as one of the finest and most complete banking homes in this locality. The bank's officers were then J. L. Shunk, president; J. A. Zang, vice president, and W. M. Reed, cashier, while the resources were four hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

On January 1, 1922, the Alliance Bank Company and the First National Bank were merged under the name of the Alliance First National Bank, with total resources of six million three hundred thousand dollars, and in the spring of 1923 the bank moved into its splendid new home, which had just been completed at a cost of three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, and which was designed to accommodate any probable future demands on account of growth. The interior of the banking room is artistic and attractive, being finished in brown marble, while the metal work is of solid bronze. In the basement is located the huge vault, containing the safety deposit boxes, and on the second floor is located the bookkeeping department, the entire ground floor being devoted to

the counting room and offices. The present official roster of the Alliance First National Bank is as follows: A. L. Atkinson, president; M. S. Milbourne, chairman of the board; W. E. Davis, vice president; W. H. Purcell, vice president; George B. Hall, cashier; G. E. Graf, assistant cashier and trust officer.

The Alliance First National Bank has kept pace with the advanced spirit and improved methods of the day and during its existence, covering a period of fifty-six years, it has commanded the unqualified confidence of the public and has been an important factor in the business progress of the community which it has served. Its directors and officers have been characterized by intense loyalty not only to the institution but to the highest interests of their city and county, and have commanded the respect and good will of their fellowmen, a fact which has contributed in large measure to the success of the bank.

JAMES S. STEWART

Among the prominent and influential business men of Alliance stands James S. Stewart, president of the Stewart Brothers Paint Company, Inc., one of the solid and prosperous concerns of the city. He was born in Center Point, Arkansas, on the 16th of January, 1877, a son of Robert and Dora (Chesley) Stewart, to whom detailed reference is made in the sketch of his brother, William E. Stewart, on other pages of this work. He attended the public schools of South Dakota, to which state the family had moved in his early boyhood, and on the completion of his early training he entered the Cleveland Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1914. In July of that year he was admitted to the bar and for one year was engaged in the practice of his profession in Cleveland. He then went to Chicago, Illinois, and became identified with the paint manufacturing business as president of Stewart, Adams & Company, Inc. Three years later he sold his interest in that concern and, coming to Alliance, Ohio, he and his brother, William E. Stewart, organized the Stewart Brothers Paint Company, of which he is president and his brother is secretary and treasurer. They

have a large patronage and are enjoying a splendid measure of success.

Mr. Stewart is a staunch republican in his political views, and his religious connection is with the Ravenswood Congregational church in Chicago. He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Webb Chapter, No. 14, R. A. M., of Cleveland, and Illinois Commandery, K. T., in Chicago; Cleveland Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Tadmor Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Akron, Ohio; and Alliance Lodge No. 467, B. P. O. E. He also belongs to the Alliance Country Club, the Alliance Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. During the World war he was a member of the draft board in Cleveland and took an active part in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives. He is a man of sterling character and cordial manner, and throughout the range of his acquaintance enjoys a well merited popularity.

JOHN MONROE BOYER

For the past twelve years John M. Boyer has rendered effective and satisfactory service as superintendent of the Stark county workhouse. He has gained a high reputation for executive ability and sound judgment and has earned the respect of all who are familiar with his official record. He was born in the city of Canton, on the 27th of August, 1889, and is a son of Elias Monroe and Katherine (Bechle) Boyer. The name Monroe has been used in the family for five generations, in honor of President Monroe, who was a friend of the family in early days. The family is of Holland origin and was established in the colonies in a very early day. There were many descendants of the original progenitor and one hundred and twenty-eight members of the family lost their lives in the American Revolution. The branch of the family to which John Monroe Boyer belongs was long established in New York state, whence members of it went to Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. In that county was born Elias M. Boyer, who was reared on a farm and received his education in night schools. He followed farming there until 1885, when he came to Canton, Ohio, where he resided until his death, which occurred July 20, 1916, at the age of fifty-two years. He was a very active supporter of the repub-



JOHN M. BOYER

lican party and for several years served as truant officer, to which position he was appointed by the board of education. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. His wife was born in Canton and is a daughter of John and Julia Bechle, natives of Baden, Germany, whence they came to Canton in 1849 and thereafter conducted the old Tremont house. Mrs. Boyer is now living in Miami, Florida. To Mr. and Mrs. Boyer were born two children, John Monroe and Ralph William, the latter also of Canton.

John M. Boyer attended the public schools of this city, graduating from the Central high school, after which he took a commercial course in the Canton Actual Business College. At the age of eighteen years he became a professional baseball player, and for two years played with the Catlettsburg (Ky.) team, of the Mountain State League. Returning to Canton, he served an apprenticeship at the metal furniture trade with the Berger Manufacturing Company, with which concern he remained four years, after which he was with the Knight Rubber Company, of Canton, until August 3, 1916, when the board of directors of the Stark county workhouse appointed him superintendent of that institution, and in this position he has continued to the present time. He has proven in every way qualified for this responsible post, in which he has found the opportunity for splendid personal service, and many who have left that institution have gone out with higher aspirations because of the wise counsel and encouraging words of the superintendent.

On March 15, 1915, in Canton, Rev. Grosse, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, performed the ceremony which united Mr. Boyer and Miss Margaret Derby. She is a native of Canton and a daughter of Christian and Christina Derby, both of whom were born in Denmark. The father is now deceased. Mrs. Boyer is a member of the Canton Women's Club and has shown an effective interest in matters relating to the civic welfare of her city. To Mr. and Mrs. Boyer have been born five children, Robert Pershing, Betty Jane, William Monroe, Beverley Bayne, and Elias Monroe, deceased. The republican party receives Mr. Boyer's support and he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Shady Hollow Country Club, the Lions International Service Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife are members of the Church of Christ, Scientist, in the

inner circles of which Mrs. Boyer is very active. Mr. Boyer is a man of sterling character, strong individuality and earnest purpose and has so ordered his life as to gain and retain the uniform respect and good will of all who know him.

WILLIAM EVARTS STEWART

The principal paint concern of Stark county is that of the Stewart Brothers Paint Company of Alliance, of which William E. Stewart is secretary and treasurer. He has been identified with this line of business for a number of years, is regarded as an able and progressive man and has met with well merited success in material affairs.

Mr. Stewart was born at Okolona, Chickasaw county, Mississippi, on the 15th of February, 1873, a son of Robert and Dora (Chesley) Stewart. In the paternal line he is of Scotch descent, his grandparents, James and Elizabeth Stewart, having been natives of Scotland, and both are deceased. Robert Stewart was born in Utica, Oneida county, New York, December 29, 1831, and died in Harrold, South Dakota, April 7, 1902. In early life he was a farmer and ranch owner, but later turned his attention to the clothing business and also owned a drug store. He was a republican in his political views, and was a member of the Congregational church. Dora Chesley, to whom he was married August 9, 1870, at Lodi, Illinois, was born in New Durham, New Hampshire, September 7, 1841, and now makes her home with her son, James S., in Alliance. She is a graduate of Dartmouth College and for a number of years served as county superintendent of schools in South Dakota. She is a daughter of James and Elizabeth Chesley.

William E. Stewart secured his educational training in the public schools of Arkansas, Iowa and South Dakota, after which he taught school for six years in the last-named state. He then learned the art of telegraphy and for ten years was employed as a telegraph operator on the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad. During the following seven years he was engaged in the real estate business in Harrold, South Dakota, and then went to Chicago, Illinois, where he became interested in the paint manufacturing

business, becoming a member of the firm of Stewart, Adams & Company, of which his brother, James S. Stewart, was president and he, secretary and treasurer. They remained in that city until 1921, when they came to Alliance and organized the Stewart Brothers Paint Company, Inc., of which James S. Stewart is president, and William E. Stewart is secretary and treasurer. This has proven a very successful enterprise, the company having built up a large and steadily increasing business and now being numbered among the leading manufacturers of Alliance.

On May 12, 1904, in Harrold, South Dakota, William E. Stewart was united in marriage to Miss Mabel McQueen, who was born November 1, 1877, in Merrill, Wisconsin, a daughter of Elbert R. and Abbie (Haxton) McQueen. Mr. McQueen, who died in Harrold, South Dakota, in August, 1920, was a prominent lumberman, owning sawmills in Wisconsin, and during his later years was actively interested in farming. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart are the parents of two children, namely: Norma Isabelle, born at Harrold, South Dakota, October 7, 1907, was graduated from the Alliance high school and is now a junior in Mount Union College; and Robert E., also born in Harrold, November 12, 1910, is attending the Alliance high school.

Mr. Stewart has always given his political support to the republican party and fraternally is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council No. 112, R. & S. M.; and the Alliance Country Club. He and his wife are members of the Ravenswood Congregational church in Chicago. Because of his earnest life, well rounded character and business ability, he commands the respect of all who know him, and stands among those who are successfully promoting the best interests of the city in which he lives.

CLIFFORD VIRGIL GODDARD

One of Alliance's most highly respected citizens and successful business men is Clifford V. Goddard, senior member of the firm of C. V. Goddard & Son, painting and decorating contractors. He has lived here for many years and his record as business man and citizen has gained for him an enviable place in public esteem.

Mr. Goddard was born in Edinburg, Ohio, on the 14th of January, 1867, and is a son of Virgil and Kate P. (Crane) Goddard. His paternal grandparents were Rev. Dennis and Persis (Denning) Goddard, both of whom were natives of Connecticut. The former was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, giving many years of his life to that sacred calling. His death occurred in Deerfield, Ohio, October 14, 1859, while his wife died in Edinburg, Ohio, August 27, 1872. Their son, Virgil Goddard, was born in Deerfield, Ohio, October 8, 1824, and died in Alliance, March 21, 1907. He was a harness maker by trade, following that vocation for many years, but later became associated with his son, Clifford V., in the painting and decorating business in Alliance. He was a republican and belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born in Shalersville, Ohio, May 5, 1829, and died in Alliance, June 7, 1895. She was a daughter of James and Hyria (Kneeland) Crane, both of whom were natives of Connecticut and became residents of Ohio, where Mr. Crane engaged in farming. He was a whig in politics. He and his wife died in this state, he at Shalersville and she at Edinburg.

Clifford V. Goddard secured a good public school education at Edinburg, after which he taught school for two years. Coming to Alliance, he entered the employ of the Goddard Revolving Bookcase Works as a painter, and four years later, when the plant was moved to Ashtabula, Ohio, he went with it. Six months later, however, he returned to Alliance and engaged in the painting and paper hanging business, which he continued until 1905, when he and A. E. Forbush, under the firm name of Forbush & Goddard, established a meat market at 323 East Main street, the building in which he had previously conducted his wallpaper business. He remained in the meat business until 1908, when he sold his interest and again took up painting and decorating, in which he has continued to the present time. Roy W. Goddard, his eldest son, is his partner in the business, which is conducted under the firm name of C. V. Goddard & Son. Their office is at the corner of Market and Freedom streets, and their shop is at 273 West Columbia street. They are well equipped for any kind or size of job in their line and command their full share of the business in Alliance and vicinity. Mr. Goddard is also a director of the Alliance Finance Company.

Mr. Goddard has been married twice, first to Miss Anna Gwynne, who was born in Alliance, April 15, 1869, and died in this city, October 11, 1918. She was a daughter of James and Rebecca (McDonald) Gwynne, the former of whom was a native of Ireland and after coming to this country settled in Alliance, where his death occurred. He was for many years a section foreman for the Pennsylvania railroad and was a member of the Presbyterian church. To Mr. and Mrs. Goddard were born five children: Roy W., who is mentioned in a separate sketch elsewhere in this work; Ralph A. and Delmer L., both residents of Alliance; Fred O., of Warren Ohio; and Mrs. William Kidd, of Alliance.

On August 16, 1922, in Canton, Ohio, Mr. Goddard married Mrs. Elizabeth (McKay) McElroy, widow of the late William McElroy. She is a daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth (Morrison) McKay, both of whom were natives and lifelong residents of Scotland. Mr. McKay, who was a stationary engineer and was a member of the Presbyterian church, died at the age of sixty-eight years. His wife, whose birth occurred at Bothwell, July 17, 1866, died August 29, 1889. Mrs. Goddard was educated in the public schools of Burnebank, Scotland, and is a woman of many gracious qualities of character, which have endeared her to all who know her. She is a member of the First Presbyterian church of Alliance and its missionary societies; the Daughters of Rebekah and the Daughters of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Goddard have a daughter, Donna Jean, born December 14, 1923.

Mr. Goddard is nominally a republican in political affairs, but at local elections he maintains an independent attitude, voting according to the dictates of his own judgment. He is an adherent of the Presbyterian church and gives generously to all worthy causes. He is a charter member of the Alliance Builders Exchange.

A prominent Odd Fellow, Mr. Goddard belongs to the Alliance Lodge No. 266 and the other branches of the order, in all of which he has passed through the chairs, having for many years been a very active and effective worker in this society. He was initiated into Alliance Lodge February 14, 1900, and became one of its trustees January 1, 1905, since which time he has served as secretary of the board. He was elected noble grand January 11, 1905, and was a member of the building committee when the Odd Fellows home on East Main street was erected. In patriarchial Odd Fellow-

ship degrees were conferred on Colonel Goddard by Alliance Encampment No. 104. He was given the patriarchal degree December 18, 1903, and after filling all chairs, was elected chief patriarch January 1, 1909. He was elected representative to the grand encampment in 1917, 1921 and 1923. He is a charter member of Alliance Canton No. 98, of which he was captain in 1919. He was elected major in 1921 and colonel in 1927. Mr. Goddard was the Alliance representative to the department council for seven years. He joined Rebekah Alliance Lodge No. 500 in 1909 and for six years was captain of the degree staff. For meritorious service, Colonel Goddard was given the Decoration of Chivalry, November 22, 1919. On October 24, 1927, he was given the Grand Decoration of Chivalry, the highest honor that can be conferred on any Odd Fellow, this being conferred on only five persons in the state each year. This decoration was pinned on Colonel Goddard by his little daughter, Donna Jean, who was the maid of honor. He is a member of Alliance Encampment No. 104 and a charter member of Alliance Canton since its organization. A man of high ideals and worthy principles, he has been loyal to all the obligations of citizenship, standing consistently for all that is best in the life of his community, and has proven himself well worthy of the confidence and respect which are uniformly accorded him by his fellowmen.

ADAM ANDREW SHORB, II

Adam Andrew Shorb, a member of one of the oldest families of Canton, is well known throughout the city for his loyalty, honesty and keen integrity. He is a thorough musician and has always been prominent and foremost in the musical circles of Stark county. He is one of the charter members of the Thayer Military Band and a hard and interested worker in the early years of its organization and one of its earnest promoters during the thirty years of its existence. While still interested, he has not taken an active part in the band work in recent years due to his many other business interests. His earnest efforts won for this band the support of the citizens of Canton, and it has always been composed of all Canton men with a Canton leader and director. Mr. Shorb was one of the organizers and charter members of the

Canton Local of Musicians, affiliated with the American Federation of Musicians. For more than eighteen years he has been president of this organization, Canton Local No. 111, A. F. of M. He has guided them most conscientiously, honorably and successfully through these years and its large membership is the result of his honest and upright dealings, loyalty and true fellowship. He is a musician of merit, a proficient player of bass, either string or brass. He has been connected with all the leading organizations of the city interested in music and is held in the highest regard throughout his profession in the city and surrounding country.

Mr. Shorb was born in Canton, April 14, 1872, in the home in which he now lives, located in what was at the time of his birth the center of the Shorb farm, but today, in 1928, it is almost the heart of the city, being just a few minutes walk from the public square. His parents were Andrew Adam and Harriet (Newling) Shorb, the former a son of Adam Andrew Shorb, a native of Canton, and a grandson of John Shorb, Sr. The father lived in Canton throughout life and died October 13, 1892, at the age of forty-nine years. The mother was born in East Liverpool, Ohio, June 20, 1847, and was a daughter of the late George and Eliza Newling, pioneer settlers of Columbiana county, coming to this state from Maryland in the early part of the last century. In 1869 Harriet Newling became the wife of Andrew Adam Shorb and to them were born four children, of whom Adam Andrew is the sole survivor. His mother died December 4, 1916, in the home where she had always lived.

John Shorb, Sr., was born in Zweibruecken, Rheinpfalz, Germany, and when a very young man went to Baltimore, Maryland, where he married Miss Catherine Gross, who was from Neiderbronn, Alsace. Her brother, Louis Gross, was the father of William H. Gross, who was ordained a Catholic bishop of Savannah, Georgia. For some time Mr. Shorb was successfully engaged in business in Baltimore, and in 1807 came to Canton with a stock of goods, establishing the first grocery store here. He occupied a brick building on the southwest corner of Market and what is now Second street, southwest. A year later he removed to the new building which he erected in the block, later known as the Eagle block, on the present site of the First National Bank of Canton. He continued in the grocery business for some time though living on his farm in the northwest part of the city but later gave the

store to his son John Shorb, Jr. In those early days Sixth street north and Sixth street south were the city limits. On traveling to Baltimore to buy goods John Shorb, Sr., always made the trip on horse back and was many times accompanied by his wife, who rode in the same way. To them were born five children. At one time he owned six hundred and forty acres of land abutting the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad station in Canton.

John Shorb, Sr., was interested actively in all public matters. In 1809 he was a member of the first grand jury in Stark county. In 1815 he was president of the first bank erected here, known as The Farmers Bank of Canton. He was a devout Catholic and on locating in Canton missed greatly the religious advantages of his native city and he sought to increase the Catholic population by persuading settlers to come to Canton. These came chiefly from Maryland and Pennsylvania and even the "old country" people, newly landed, were told of the far west. The journey was long and fatiguing, being made on foot, horseback or stage, and many hardships were endured after they came to their new homes. Soon a sufficient number of Catholics gathered to warrant a mission at Canton, and John Shorb, Sr., may be considered the one who founded the first Catholic church here. The diocese of Cincinnati was founded in 1822 and zealous priests, Dominican Fathers, of Somerset, Perry county, Ohio, where the first church was erected in 1818, came here a number of times a year to say mass and visit the people of Canton. When these visits would be announced word was sent to the Catholics of the surrounding towns of Massillon, Canal Fulton and for a circuit of fifty miles. The people usually came on Saturday in wagons drawn by two horses, carrying the family, and usually remained until Monday morning. The trials and hardships endured by our forefathers form a pathetic chapter which we of today cannot understand. With the beautiful churches and comfortable pews to sit in, and all the comforts of civilization and progress now our own, we cannot realize the conditions that existed "When the groves were God's first temples;" when our parents had to cover from fifteen to fifty miles, and oftentimes walk, for the privilege of hearing mass. The faith with which they were imbued to do this is simply incomprehensible to us at this age, when we can use the most trivial excuse to keep us from attending mass and services on Sunday.

It was under the wide spreading branches of an oak tree, which

formed a fitting canopy to serve in the place of the tabernacle previous to 1824, and before any church was built in Canton, that the services were held and mass was said when the clergy visited these sections, weather permitting. In inclement weather the mass was celebrated in the front room of the home of John Shorb, Sr. On these occasions Sunday was a veritable "Agape;" a long table was spread under the trees adjoining and "Grandmother Shorb" bade every one welcome. The fields around became a kind of camp. All were full of earnest piety, striving to profit by the few days spent with the "good priests of God." The first mass was said under this oak tree and it remained for years in the family yard long after the farm had been sold and the allotment and improvements completed. During this early period many priests visited this vicinity, among them Father Edward Fenwick, who was later ordained and was the first bishop of Cincinnati.

Through the particular activity of John Shorb, Sr., the first brick church was built in Canton—St. John's Catholic church. He donated the ground on which the church was built, it being the site of the beautiful church property of the present day, where stands the imposing edifice for the service of God. The first church was a big undertaking. It was small, and labor and the material were donated. The Catholics sent food to the workmen and housed them, many of them working gratis. John Shorb, Sr., donated the timber as well as the land and assisted in every kind of work he was able to do. While workmen were lifting joists to the roof several beams slipped and fell, one falling on Mr. Shorb, who was superintending the work from below. He fell backward, striking his head, and was injured quite severely. He laid unconscious until the next day when he died, July 24, 1824, in his sixty-sixth year. His wife Catherine followed him in death August 12, 1841, in her eighty-fourth year. Both rest under the eaves on the west side of the beautiful St. John's church of the present day.

Adam A. Shorb secured his early education in the parochial school, St. John's of Canton, and finished the eighth grade in the public schools, after which he took a course in bookkeeping in the Canton Actual Business College. He later worked as a steam engineer at the plant of the Joseph Dick Manufacturing Company for twelve years. In 1901 he entered into a partnership and conducted a candy shoppe and soda grille with a restaurant in connection, under the business name of Boas & Shorb. He continued

in this business until 1912, when he disposed of his interest. From that time on he has devoted his entire time to his profession of music. He stands high among the professional musicians of this city, and the fact that he has been president of the Canton Local No. 111 of the American Federation of Musicians stands in unmistakable evidence of his ability and of the confidence which his fellow musicians have in him. He was also for many years, president of the Thayer Military Band, as well as one of its charter members and organizers.

On July 22, 1915, in St. Malachy's church, in Chicago, Mr. Shorb was united in marriage to Miss Bernadette Iola Guest, who was born in Canton, Ohio, August 14, 1876, and is a daughter of Simeon and Henrietta Lucinda (Piero) Guest. With the exception of the few years spent in Chicago she has always lived in Canton, and has spent the greater part of her life in business in Canton. Throughout the period of the World war, she served in the capacity of chief clerk to the members of draft board No. 2 in Canton, remaining throughout the entire period. She was also appointed secretary to the chairman on early parishioners at the time of preparation for the consecration and centennial celebration of St. John's Catholic church, which brought her closely in touch with many of the families of the earlier members.

Her father, Simeon Guest, was born in Point Audemer, France, December 28, 1849, and came to this country with his parents when twelve years old, locating in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. At the age of fourteen years he accompanied his parents on their removal to Canton, and he remained here practically all his life. He was a first class foundryman, having served his apprenticeship in a foundry located on the corner of what is now Sixth street northwest and Cleveland avenue; the site now occupied by a furniture store and the Knights of Columbus home. His parents were of English descent, but spent their early married life in France. He was the son of Simeon and Martha (Waldron) Guest, both born in England of English parentage. Simeon Guest, Jr., died at the home of his daughter, August 13, 1923. Her mother was a daughter of John Ignatius and Caroline (Limegrover) Piero, and was born June 28, 1853, in Canton, where she lived her entire life. She was married June 9, 1874, in St. John's church. Her father, John Ignacius Piero, was born in Alsace-Lorraine, January 29, 1823. He came to this country with his parents in 1826. On land-

ing they started forth to find a location where they would be able to permit their children to be brought up in the religion and worship they followed and were taught—the Catholic Church—and with this in mind they started out to find the cross and decided to locate in that vicinity. Not until they reached Canton did they find the Catholic church which they sought and here they permanently settled. On September 25, 1845, John Ignatius Piero married Miss Caroline Limegrover in St. John's Catholic Church, the first church. Miss Limegrover was born in Oara, Switzerland, April 3, 1823. She died May 2, 1895, her husband following her in death March 13, 1897. Their daughter, Mrs. Simeon Guest preceded her husband in death just ten months, passing to the great beyond October 13, 1922.

Adam A. Shorb is a democrat in his political views and is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus. He has long been a baseball enthusiast and some years ago was president of the Canton Club of the Central Baseball League. He and his wife are members of St. John's Roman Catholic church. A man of upright conduct, strong character and splendid personality, he commands to a marked degree the esteem and good will of his fellowmen and has a large circle of loyal friends throughout the community.

ROY WYLLIS GODDARD

One of the leading painting and decorating concerns of Stark county is that of C. V. Goddard & Son, of Alliance, the junior member of which is Roy W. Goddard. He is an expert in his line and is of the third generation of his family to be engaged in this business. He was born in Alliance on the 16th of June, 1892, and is a son of Clifford V. and Anna (Gwynne) Goddard. He received his education in the public schools of Alliance, graduating from high school in 1910, and then went to work for his father in the painting and decorating business. A few years later he was admitted to a partnership with his father, under the firm name of C. V. Goddard & Son, and they have built up a large and prosperous business, having their office at the corner of Market and Freedom streets and their shop at 273 West Columbia street. Mr.

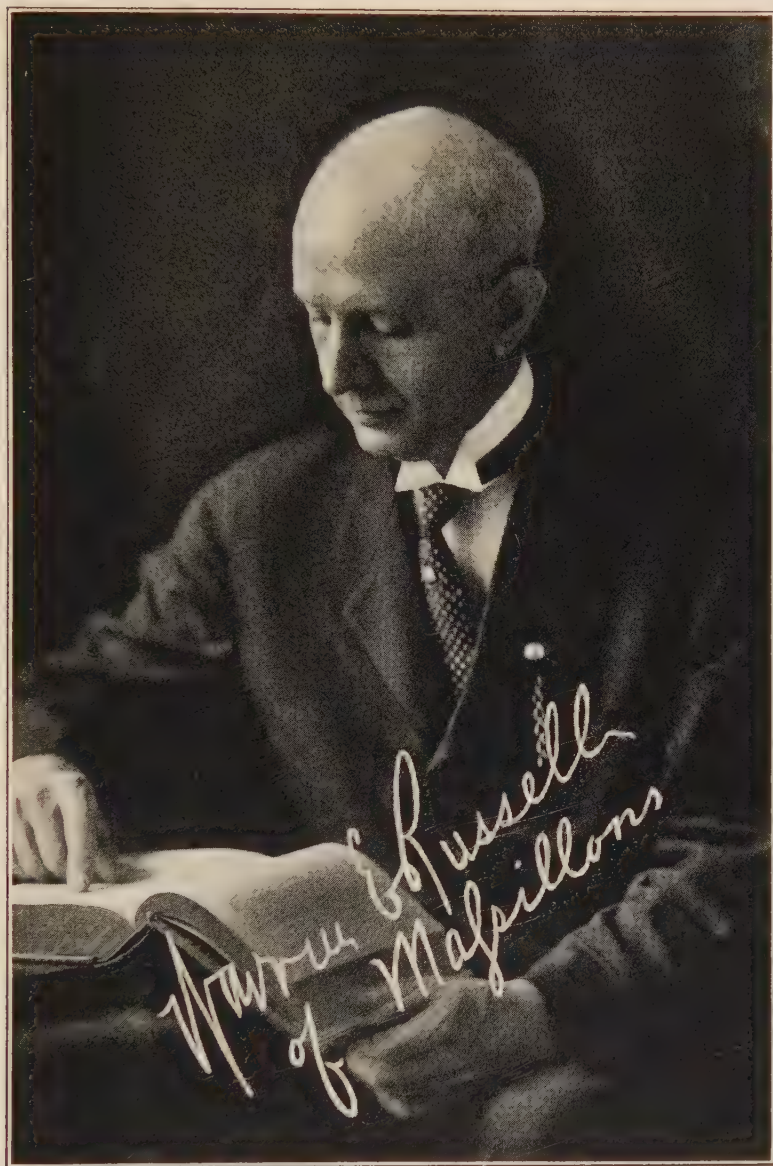
Goddard is a man of excellent taste and discrimination, and his work is of a quality that is its own best advertisement.

On December 27, 1915, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Mr. Goddard was united in marriage to Miss Almeda Germanson, who was born May 1, 1890, a daughter of Christian and Laura Germanson. Her father is a native of Michigan and is now living in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where he follows the vocation of marine engineer. He supports the republican party and is a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife is a native of Oshkosh. Mrs. Goddard was educated in the public schools of Manitowoc and Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and is an active member of the First Presbyterian church and its various societies, belonging also to the Daughters of Rebekah and the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Patriarchs Militant. Mr. and Mrs. Goddard have a son, Clair Wyllis, born September 26, 1921.

Mr. Goddard gives his political support to the republican party and is a Presbyterian in his religious faith. He belongs to Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Lodge No. 266, I. O. O. F., and is a member of all the branches of the latter Order, being now Captain of the Canton. A man of marked business ability and energetic methods, backed by right principles, he has not only realized very satisfactory material success but has also gained that which is of more value, the confidence and respect of all who have had dealings with him, so that he is regarded as one of the worthy and substantial citizens of the community.

WARREN E. RUSSELL

Warren E. Russell, a well known attorney and steamship ticket broker of Massillon, is a member of one of the prominent old families of Stark county, and in his career he has added prestige to an already illustrious family name. One of the first industries in Massillon was that of Russell & Co., Inc., which was established January 1, 1842, by Charles M., Nahum S. and Clement Russell, and they manufactured threshing machinery known on the market as the Massillon thresher. Charles M. Russell died in 1860 and the firm name was changed to N. S. & C. Russell, and in 1864 Joseph K., Thomas H. and George L. Russell, other brothers, bought into



the firm, which then again became Russell & Co. and was later incorporated in Ohio under that name.

Thomas H. Russell was born at Alstead, Cheshire county, New Hampshire, May 15, 1828, a son of Cyrus and Louisa (Stratton) Russell, who were natives of Massachusetts. In 1847 he came to Massillon, where his brothers were manufacturing threshers, and in their plant he learned the machinist's trade. Eventually he was made superintendent of the machine shop and became a stockholder in the company. He was of an inventive turn of mind and originated and patented several articles, including a concave adjuster, a vibrating screw and a worm beater. He was one of the organizers and a director of the Massillon Light, Heat & Power Company. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having enlisted in 1864 in Company A, One Hundred and Sixty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in which he held a commission as first lieutenant, and he was honorably discharged in September, 1864. On September 13, 1853, in Massillon, he was married to Miss Eleanor Dunn, a daughter of Edward and Julia (Fox) Dunn, and to this union were born five children, namely: Edward S., Nellie J., Warren E., Mrs. Laura M. Phillips and Harriet M. Warren E. and Mrs. Phillips are now the only survivors. The father gave his political support to the republican party; served as city treasurer and maintained an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare and progress of his community.

Warren E. Russell was born in Massillon, October 31, 1862, and attended the public schools of that city, graduating from the high school in 1880. Later he entered Harcourt Place Academy at Gambier, Ohio, of which John D. H. McKinley was principal, and one of the teachers was John Jay Adams, later dean of the Ohio State University Law School at Columbus. From 1881 to 1883 Mr. Russell attended Kenyon College, there becoming a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and from there he went to Amherst College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1885. From 1886 to 1888 he attended Harvard Law School and also studied at Leipsic University in Germany. He was admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1889, and then went to Utah, where he was admitted to the bar in the following year. In 1892 he returned to Massillon and was immediately placed at the head of the newly created legal department of Russell & Co., with which he was connected until 1904, when he engaged in the practice of law,

and at about the same time took up the steamship ticket brokerage business. In both professional work and business he has been successful, and his record has stamped him as a man of alert mentality, sound judgment and sterling integrity in every relation of life. Like his brothers, he was an enthusiastic and lifelong supporter of William McKinley from the time the latter first entered politics.

On February 28, 1903, Mr. Russell was united in marriage to Miss Hermine J. A. Dieterich, a native of Havre, France, and educated in that country and in Germany. Mr. Russell gives his support to the republican party as have all the Russell family before him and has maintained a deep interest in the welfare of his community and country. He is a member of the Masonic Order, and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, while his religious faith is that of the Christian Scientist. He is a director and secretary of the Ohio Paper Products Company and is president and treasurer of Spif, Inc. During the World war he rendered effective service to his state as a member of the coal commission. Cordial and affable in manner, he has a wide acquaintance and a large circle of loyal friends, who esteem him for his genuine worth as man and citizen.

CURTIS JAMES DUNCAN

One of the best known and most highly respected citizens of Stark county is Curtis J. Duncan, of Massillon, who for more than thirty years has been successfully engaged in the jewelry business owning the leading store in that line in Massillon and a branch store in Canton. In Massillon the name of Duncan has long been held in high esteem from the fact that one of his ancestors, James Duncan, was the founder of this city. Of him it has been written, "The Hon. James Duncan, founder of Massillon in the year 1826, was a man of keen foresight, good judgment and upright character. He believed in Massillon. What a revelation it would be to him could he but walk on our streets today and see to what a marvelous extent his faith in the growth and progress of his city has been realized."

Curtis James Duncan was born in Massillon on the 15th of July, 1873, and is a son of James and Rebecca (Shafer) Duncan,

the former of whom died in 1875 and the latter in 1917. He received a limited education in the public schools and his first work was on a farm. He was employed at the machinist's trade for two years, after which he became an apprentice jeweler under Joseph Coleman. In 1899 he established a jewelry store in Massillon, in which venture success attended him and he now has a large and well stocked store, housed in a building of its own at 24 Main street East. In 1912 Mr. Duncan established a branch store in Canton, and now, in his own business block at the corner of Third street and Cleveland avenue, northwest, has one of the handsomest stores in that city. His success has been based on the high and honest quality of his goods, his sound business judgment and his honorable methods, and no business man of Stark county enjoys to a greater degree than he the confidence of the people, and he has a widespread reputation throughout the county as being an authority on diamonds.

In 1898 Mr. Duncan married Miss Erma Gibbs, of Canton, and they have become the parents of three children, namely: James William, who is a graduate of Northwestern University and is now holding a responsible position with the Cable Piano Company in Chicago; Clarence Gibbs, who died at the age of seventeen years; and Dorothy, who is the wife of Charles William Garver, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Duncan is a member of all branches of the Masonic order; also belongs to the Kiwanis Club, of which he is a past president, and the Chamber of Commerce. He and his family are members of the First Christian church, of which he is an elder. Mr. Duncan has stood consistently as one of the stalwart supporters of those things which promote the best interests of the community and has long been regarded as one of its solid and dependable citizens.

THOMAS WOOD COPE

One of the leading furniture, carpet and house furnishing stores of Alliance is that of T. W. Cope & Sons at 314 East Main street, of which Thomas W. Cope is president, and which is regarded as one of the most reliable business concerns of the city. Mr. Cope was born at Smithfield, Jefferson county, Ohio, on the 26th of

July, 1865, a son of Willets and Martha (Wood) Cope. His paternal grandparents were Joseph and Rebecca (Millhouse) Cope, the former of whom was a native of Pennsylvania and became a successful farmer near Smithfield, Ohio. He also organized and was the first president of the First National Bank of Smithfield, remaining actively connected with the affairs of that community up to the time of his death, which occurred in Smithfield in 1868. He was a member of the Friends church and supported the republican party. His wife was born near Mt. Pleasant, Ohio, and died at Smithfield.

Willets Cope was born near Smithfield, May 12, 1832, and died in Alliance in October, 1903. He was a successful farmer, owning one hundred and sixty acres of good land near Smithfield, and he also taught school. He was formerly a republican but became one of the first prohibitionists in Jefferson county, making many temperance speeches. He was a consistent member of the Friends church. His wife, who was born at Smithfield in May, 1836, and died in Alliance in 1910, was a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Crew) Wood. Her father was probably born in Maryland and on coming to Ohio became a successful farmer and an extensive sheep raiser, owning several farms near Smithfield. He was a republican and a member of the Friends church. His wife was born near Richmond, Virginia, and died in Smithfield.

Thomas W. Cope attended the district schools of Jefferson county and for two terms was at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana. He remained on the home farm a short time thereafter, and then went to Washington and Oregon, where he worked with a railroad surveying crew for two years. In August, 1892, he came to Alliance and for six months was a clerk in the grocery store of J. L. Russell and was also for a few months with P. J. Gaume. He then became a salesman in the carpet store of Sam Katzenstein, with whom he remained for twenty-three years, when he and Philip Katzenstein, a brother of his employer, bought the business, operating it under the name of Cope & Katzenstein from February 1, 1916, until 1921, when Mr. Cope bought his partner's interest, after which he took his sons into partnership and the firm name became T. W. Cope & Sons. For a short time they remained in the floor covering and drapery business at 520 East Main street, and then bought out the Cassaday Furniture Company at 314 East Main street and combined the two concerns, moving into the

Cassaday building, where they are now located. The business is now incorporated, with Thomas W. Cope as president, C. C. Cope as vice president and Paul W. Cope as secretary and treasurer. They carry a large and complete stock of goods, and by their courtesy, accommodation and honorable dealing are commanding a large trade.

On August 23, 1892, in Jefferson county, Ohio, Mr. Cope was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth L. Updegraff, who was born in Indiana, March 21, 1869, and is a daughter of Edward and Mary (Lanciscus) Updegraff. Her father, born at Shelbyville, Indiana, was for many years engaged in mercantile business, from which he eventually retired, and his death occurred at West Newton, Indiana. He was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil war and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife was born in Madison, Indiana, and died at West Newton, that state. Mrs. Cope was educated in the public schools at West Newton and is a member of the Alliance Women's Club and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil war and takes a deep interest in the welfare of her community.

Mr. and Mrs. Cope are the parents of three children, Cornelius C., born February 13, 1895, was educated in the Alliance public schools and is now vice president of T. W. Cope & Sons. He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks; the Rotary Club; the Chamber of Commerce and the Alliance Country Club. He married Miss Elizabeth Ogle, of Alliance, a daughter of E. T. Ogle, and they have a son, James W. Paul W., born July 25, 1903, was graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Ohio Wesleyan University two years, since which time he has been secretary and treasurer of T. W. Cope & Sons. He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; the Chamber of Commerce and the Alliance Country Club. He married Miss Mabel Roath, of Limaville, Ohio, and they have a son, Paul Rodger. Ruth E., born April 9, 1910, was graduated from the Alliance high school in January, 1928, with the highest honors of her class. During her course she served as editor of the "Red and Blue," and is now taking a course in the Alliance Business College, and will matriculate in Mount Union College in the fall of 1928.

Mr. Cope has always supported the republican party, while his religious connection is with the First Friends church of Alliance.

He is a member of Conrad Lodge No. 271, F. & A. M.; Smithfield Chapter No. 81, R. A. M.; the Alliance Country Club; the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. During the World war he was an active supporter of the various drives and other measures and in every way has shown himself a loyal and dependable citizen, commanding the confidence and respect of his fellow-men.

RICHARD W. BRANFIELD, D. D. S.

Dr. Richard W. Branfield has earned the reputation of being one of the ablest and most reliable dentists in Alliance, where he has built up a large practice. He was born in Minerva, Ohio, on the 25th of January, 1899, and is a son of Edward and Mary Ann (James) Branfield, who were born in England and Wales respectively and were about five years of age when they accompanied their respective parents on their removal to the United States. The father is a successful coal operator and is highly respected by all who know him. He is a democrat and served as a member of the school board in Magnolia, Ohio. He and his wife are members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Branfield has three brothers and three sisters, namely: John Edward, who is engaged in the real estate business in Pasadena, California; Albert, who is associated with the Branfield Coal Company of Alliance; Dr. Vancil Roy, who is engaged in the practice of dentistry at Lakewood, Ohio; Margaret, the wife of John P. Gardner of Alliance; Esther, the wife of Edmund W. Thomas, of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, and Myrtle, the wife of Benjamin F. Davis, of Wilkensburg, Pennsylvania.

Richard W. Branfield attended the public schools of Magnolia and Alliance, and was graduated from the high school at Coshoc-ton, Ohio, in 1916. He then entered the dental school of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1922, and immediately afterward opened an office in the First National Bank building in Alliance. He remained there until March, 1926, when he moved to his present offices, 702 City Savings building, where he is well prepared to take care of the large practice which he now commands.

Dr. Branfield gives his political support to the republican party and maintains a good citizen's interest in public affairs. He is a member of University Lodge No. 631, F. & A. M. , of Columbus, Ohio; Alliance Lodge No. 467, B. P. O. E.; the Alpha Pi, Psi Omega fraternity of Coshocton, Ohio, and the Apelonian Society of Ohio State University. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce; the Alliance Kiwanis Club, of which he is a director; the Stark County Dental Society; the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. His religious membership is with the First Methodist Episcopal church of Alliance.

The Doctor's favorite diversions are music and golf. He is a skilled and competent dentist; takes a justifiable pride in the high quality of his work, and has won an enviable place in the regard of all who have patronized him, while throughout the community he is greatly esteemed for his sterling character and genial and friendly manner.

ARTHUR GORDON HYDE, M. D.

One of the ablest and most distinguished members of the medical profession in Stark county is Dr. Arthur G. Hyde, superintendent of the Massillon State Hospital, in which position he has exhibited professional and executive ability of the highest order. He was born in Ashland, Ohio, on the 16th of January, 1878, and is a son of Anson and Jane (Gordon) Hyde, the latter of whom is deceased. After completing the public and high school courses, he entered Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1900. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Miami Medical College, in Cincinnati, in 1901, and served one year as interne in the Soldiers and Sailors Home at Sandusky, Ohio. He then engaged in the practice of medicine at Ashland, where he remained for five years, and in April, 1907, went to the Cleveland State Hospital as assistant superintendent and assistant physician, in which capacities he served until September, 1914, when he was made superintendent of that institution. He served as such until November 1, 1918, when he was made superintendent of the Massillon State Hospital, in which position he has made a notable record. He has

in his charge over two thousand five hundred patients, in the care and handling of which he has shown exceptional ability. He is a recognized authority on mental diseases and has frequently written articles upon this and other phases of his profession. His interest extends beyond the bounds of his institution and he recently was instrumental in establishing the free clinic for mental diseases which is held in Canton at regular intervals, and heads the staff which does this commendable work.

On June 20, 1910, Dr. Hyde was united in marriage to Miss Carrie L. Cook, of Cleveland, Ohio, and they are the parents of two children: Arthur G., Jr., born in 1912; and Carlene Jane, born in 1917.

The Doctor is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Young Men's Christian Association and the council of the Boy Scouts of America. His religious connection is with the Christian church. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association. During the Spanish-American war Dr. Hyde served in the United States Hospital Corps and during the World war he was medical advisor to local board No. 4, in Canton. The Doctor has made a host of warm personal friends since coming to Stark county, while those acquainted with the splendid professional work which he is doing hold him in the highest esteem.

BARTRUM M. WOODS

For the past twenty years Bartrum M. Woods of Alliance has been engaged in the building and contracting business in Stark county and has well merited the reputation which he enjoys as a competent and trustworthy business man. He was born near Malvern, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 30th of August, 1871, a son of James M. and Sarah Aditha (Tidball) Woods. His paternal great-grandfather, William Woods, was a native of Pennsylvania and became a pioneer settler of Carroll county, Ohio, where he acquired a farm and devoted the remaining years of his life to

agricultural pursuits. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was the father of John Woods, who was born in Carroll county, where he too followed farming, and there died. He supported the democratic party and was a Methodist in his religious faith. He married Miss Sarah Huston, who also was a native and lifelong resident of Carroll county, and among their children was James M. Woods, who was born, lived and died in Carroll county, where he devoted his active years to farming. He was a republican in politics and an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born near Malvern, Carroll county, and died at the home of her son in Alliance. She was a daughter of John and Sarah Ann (Moffett) Tidball, the former of whom was born near Malvern, Ohio, followed farming as a vocation, and died at Oneida, this state. He was a republican and a member of the Christian church. His wife was a native of Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and died on the home farm near Malvern. John Tidball was a son of J. B. Tidball, who was a lifelong resident of Carroll county. He was a republican, served for over thirty years as a justice of the peace, and belonged to the Christian church.

Bartrum M. Woods attended the district schools of Brown township, Carroll county, and had one year in the Malvern high school, after which he devoted his attention to farming until 1898. He then turned his attention to the carpenter's trade and later engaged in building contracting, in which he has been very successful, many of the best buildings in this locality standing in evidence of the high quality of his work, which has always been characterized by painstaking thoroughness.

On August 18, 1895, in Alliance, Mr. Woods was united in marriage to Miss Ona E. Millard, who was born near this city in 1875 and is a daughter of William and Anna (Miller) Millard. Her father was also born near Alliance and devoted the active years of his life to agricultural pursuits, from which he eventually retired, and his death occurred in Alliance. He was a republican and a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, and died in Alliance. Mrs. Woods is a graduate of the Alliance high school.

To Mr. and Mrs. Woods were born four children, two of whom, a son and a daughter, died in infancy. Margaret Edith, who was graduated from the Alliance high school and Mount Union Col-

lege, took special work at the University of Wisconsin and Columbia University and is now a teacher in the high school at Salem, Ohio. The other daughter, Lucile, was graduated from the Alliance high school and Mount Union College, took special work in the University of Wisconsin, after which she taught history in the Alliance high school, and is now engaged in Young Women's Christian Association work at Winona, Minnesota.

Mr. Woods has always been affiliated with the republican party and was formerly a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, and he and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian church, of which he was a trustee for eight years. He is a man of substantial qualities of character, dependable in every relation of life, and is very highly regarded throughout the wide range of his acquaintance.

FERDINAND PHILIP DRUMM

Early in life Ferdinand Philip Drumm realized the fact that hard work constitutes the basis of advancement in all lines of endeavor, and his industry, perseverance and energy have placed him with Canton's substantial business men. He was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio, February 18, 1875, a son of Jacob Lewis and Catherine (Heiderick) Drumm, the former a native of Ruschburg, Prussia, and the latter of Reichenbach, Prussia.

Ferdinand P. Drumm obtained his early instruction at Mount Eaton, Ohio, and completed his studies in the public schools of Canton. His start in life was gained as a delivery boy for a local grocer, whose employ he entered at the age of seventeen, and he worked for him for five years. From boyhood he had been keenly interested in the national sport of baseball and in 1896 he became a professional player, thus continuing for six years. Afterwards he successfully managed several minor leagues and clubs located in Painesville, Zanesville, Marion, Wheeling and Canton, acting in that capacity for nine years, and during 1907-8 was the manager of polo teams in Mansfield and Canton. In 1912 he entered the field of general insurance, opening an office in Canton, and during the intervening period he has established a business of large proportions. He has made a close study of the subject of insurance, and

his comprehensive knowledge thereof enables him to aid clients in securing the particular policy best suited to their needs.

Mr. Drumm was married November 3, 1912, at Mount Eaton, Ohio, to Miss Aura Schlafly, who was born June 20, 1876, in that town, in which her parents, Simon and Louise (Klein) Schlafly, still reside. Her father was born in New Philadelphia, December 2, 1848, and her mother was born at Mount Eaton, March 23, 1855.

Mr. and Mrs. Drumm are affiliated with the Reformed church at Mount Eaton, and the latter is a member of the Sorosis and Woman's Clubs. Mr. Drumm's hobby is that of a dog fancier and the Culver Kennels, of which he is the owner, contain only pedigreed stock. Outdoor sports afford him much enjoyment and he attends the leading field trials as well as the shows of the American Kennel Club. He leads a healthful, well balanced life, and his genial nature and high principles have won for him the esteem and friendship of all with whom he has been associated.

CHARLES BALOUGH

A mechanical engineer of broad experience and proven ability, as well as a sagacious, farsighted business man, Charles Balough is successfully administering the affairs of the Hercules Motors Corporation, an institution which means much to Canton, and has been prominently identified with the automobile industry for a quarter of a century.

He was born February 13, 1883, in Hungary, of which country his parents, Albert and Charlotte (Széchény) Balough, were also natives, and there he was reared and educated. For four years he was a pupil in an elementary school and then entered a gymnasium school, which he attended for eight years, completing his course by graduation. His higher education was acquired in Royal St. Joseph University at Budapest, which conferred upon him the degrees of Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, and for a year thereafter he was in France and Germany.

In October, 1903, when a young man of twenty, Mr. Balough came to the United States, locating in Detroit, Michigan, and for several years was in the service of the Ford Motor Company. He

was next connected with the Kelly-Springfield Truck & Bus Company of Springfield, Ohio, and severed his relations with that firm to become president of the Hercules Motors Corporation at the time of its organization in Canton in 1916. For twelve years he has filled this office, fostering the growth of the business by well matured plans, close attention to detail and judicious management, and is now at the head of a thriving industry which reflects his progressive spirit, his executive power and high standards of production.

In December, 1909, Mr. Balough was married in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Eva Myers, who was born in Jackson, that state, in 1893. Her father, David H. Myers, is also a native of Jackson, and her mother, Cora (Yerby) Myers, was born in Lesley, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Balough have a family of five children: Virginia, Ariadne, Mary Elizabeth, Charles and Henry.

Mr. Balough enjoys the social side of life and is a member of the Canton, Congress Lake and Brookside Clubs. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree, and his religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a consistent member. In spirit and interests he is thoroughly American and has demonstrated his worth as a citizen by creating one of Canton's largest and most important industries. Courageous, self-reliant and efficient, he has made his own way in the world, and his record proves what may be accomplished by the man who has the will to dare and to do.

JACOB STUHLDTREHER

One of Massillon's successful merchants and popular citizens is Jacob Stuhldreher, who conducts a cigar business at 46 North Erie street, and has built up a good trade. He was born on a farm four miles north of Massillon on the 26th of October, 1876, and is a son of Frank and Margaret (Smith) Stuhldreher, the former of whom followed farming. Both parents were natives of Germany and are now deceased. In their family were seven children, of whom Frank and Mary died early in life, while George, Adam, Margaret, Charles and Jacob are living.

Jacob Stuhldreher received his education in the public schools of Millport and remained on the home farm until he had attained



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his majority, when, in 1897, he embarked in the saloon business, to which he gave his attention for twenty-one years. In 1920 he entered the retail cigar and tobacco business by buying out Bert Hankins. In this enterprise he met with encouraging success and in 1923 purchased the building he now occupies, which is modern and up-to-date in every respect. His son, Karlton, is associated with him in business.

On September 28, 1899, Mr. Stuhldreher was united in marriage to Miss Genevieve Ricker and they are the parents of three children, namely: Karlton, who was married to Miss Lila Bahney and has a son; Margaret, who is the wife of Donald Scott and the mother of two sons; and Thomas.

Mr. Stuhldreher is a democrat in his political affiliation and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He and his family are members of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church. He has been successful in his material affairs and is vice president and a director of the Massillon Savings & Loan Company; a director of the Charity Rotch Realty Company, the Luna Lake Club Company and the Willowdale Club. He is a man of sound business judgment, straightforward manner and admirable social qualities, and throughout his wide acquaintance he has many warm and loyal friends.

THOMAS R. MORGAN, SR.

Almost a century ago there was born at Penydarren, in Merthyr Tydvil, Glamorganshire, Wales, a boy who was destined to have important bearing upon the history of America, who was to become an outstanding figure in the industrial circles of this country, while his labors were to be a most potent factor in the upbuilding, development and progress of Alliance. It was in Wales that he became familiar with the machinist's trade and gained his initial knowledge of the iron industry. His natal day was March 31, 1834, and he began to earn his living when but eight years of age, obtaining work as a door boy in a coal mine, while later he was employed as a teamster by his father, who was a coal mining contractor. When a lad of but eleven years he suffered an accident that caused the loss of his left leg below the knee. It was this misfortune, how-

ever, that brought to him added educational opportunities, which up to that time had been a limited quantity in his life. He spent three years as a pupil under the direction of Taliesen Williams, of Merthyr Tydvil, whose son, Edwards Williams, became the president of the Iron and Steel Institute of Great Britain. When fourteen years of age Mr. Morgan left school and entered upon a five years' apprenticeship in the machine shop of the Penydarren Iron Works and had the benefit of added experience in the Dowlais Iron Works, then the largest enterprise of the kind in the entire world. For several years he remained in that connection and while thus employed bored the cylinder and did most of the machine work for the mechanism utilized in operating the converter used by Sir Henry Bessemer in his first experiments in manufacturing steel at Dowlais. At a subsequent period Mr. Morgan was in Cardiff and for five years he was in charge of the leading machine shop in Llanelly, Carmarthenshire, Wales, and all through the years he was growing in knowledge, efficiency and power; but mere success did not content him, for a love of liberty had awakened in him a desire to become a resident of the United States, his hopes and plans finding their fruition in a voyage to the new world in April, 1865, in company with his family.

It was in Pittston, Pennsylvania, that Mr. Morgan made his initial step in business in America, spending a short time in the railroad shops of the Lackawanna & Bloomsburg road. A recognition of his ability came to him when later, as an employe of the Cambria Iron Company at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, he was accorded the largest salary of any of its machinists. Later he was employed in various shops, each change indicating a forward step and wider opportunities. He occupied the superintendency of the Allegheny Valley railroad shops, of the Atlas Iron Works and of the Smith & Porter machine shops, all of Pittsburgh, but a desire to benefit more directly by his own labors led him in 1868 to undertake independently the manufacture of steam hammers and other special machinery in Pittsburgh, where he carried on operations for three years.

Alliance has reason to mark a certain day of August, 1871, as a red letter day in her history, for it was at that time that the firm of Marchand & Morgan began operations here. The new enterprise continued under the original ownership until 1877, when Mr. Marchand disposed of his interest and the firm became Morgan,

Williams & Company, with Silas J. Williams as a partner. This association continued for seven years and in 1884 the firm was dissolved and Mr. Morgan organized and incorporated the Morgan Engineering Company, owning the principal part of the stock. From that time forward his course was one not only of steady progress but of rapid advancement. The products are mostly of his design and construction and are largely covered by patents. As the result of changing business conditions, bringing about new requirements, he perfected and manufactured new machines, many of which were the embodiment of his inventive genius and included steam hammers, punching and shearing machines, steam, hydraulic, electric, pneumatic and power machinery for government, railway, iron, steel and engineering work; gun and mortar carriages; electric traveling cranes, locomotive, gantry, jib and derrick cranes; hydraulic presses for forging and other purposes; bending, flaming and riveting machines; charging machines; ingot extractors; feed tables; electric controllers for series-wound motors; hydraulic valves, and special machinery for the quick handling of material for Bessemer and open-hearth furnaces, etc. In the conduct of this business an immense plant was developed and its ramifying trade relations reach out to almost every section of the world, so that the name of the Morgan Engineering Company became a familiar one wherever machinery was used. The Morgan Engineering Company was called upon to manufacture the great hammer of eighty-ton capacity used in the Midvale Steel Works at Nicetown, Philadelphia, weighing nine hundred tons, and in almost every large steel-rolling mill or factory in the United States where heavy machinery is used the products of the Morgan plant are found. He became a pioneer manufacturer of hydraulic machinery in the United States and his output has been sold largely in the ship and navy yards of the country. He was the first to construct electric traveling cranes and their output has included more than a thousand cranes now used in the workshops of America. The great Morgan plant also turned out more than fifty steam plate-shears, with knives from sixty to one hundred and forty-four inches long, utilized to cut steel plates into required dimensions. Another notable output of the Morgan plant was the first automatic gun-carriage for firing around a complete circle, known as the Gordon-Morgan disappearing gun-carriage, its weight being about three hundred tons. He was one of the organizers of the Solid Steel

Casting Company, which subsequently led to the development of the great combination known as the American Steel Casting Company. Of the former corporation he continued as president until 1889 and then disposed of his interests. He was vice president of the Mutual Electric Light and Power Company and was a trustee of the Alliance Building Company, while in financial circles was president of the City Savings Bank. He gave of his time in service on the city council and as a member of the board of trustees of Mount Union College. His cooperation could always be counted upon to further any project for the public good and his interest centered in the welfare of his adopted city.

Before leaving his native land Mr. Morgan was married July 4, 1856, at Merthyr Tydvil, Wales, to Miss Elizabeth Nicholas, of Glany Cym, near Llandovery, Wales, and they became parents of ten children, but four died in infancy, the others being John R., Thomas R., Margaret, William H., Edwin and Arthur. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan held membership in the Welsh Congregational church and he was also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. His political allegiance was given to the republican party. His death occurred in Alliance, September 6, 1897, when he was sixty-three years of age, and at his passing Andrew Carnegie said: "Our country loses one of her foremost men of affairs."

WILLIAM R. DAY

William R. Day, of whom President McKinley said concerning his service as secretary of state, "Judge Day has made absolutely no mistakes," was one of the foremost citizens that Ohio has produced. Born in Ravenna, Portage county, April 17, 1849, he belonged to a family that gave several distinguished representatives to the legal profession in Ohio. His father, Judge Luther Day, was one of the eminent members of the bench and bar of this state and served for many years as a supreme court judge. He married a daughter of Judge Spalding, who also served on the supreme court bench and who represented his district in congress, while the wife of Judge Spalding was a daughter of Chief Justice Swift, one of the supreme court judges of Connecticut.

Judge William R. Day attended the public schools of his native state and in 1870 was graduated from the University of Michigan with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The same year he took up the study of law at Ravenna and in 1871 entered the law department of the University of Michigan, where he remained for a year. His admission to the bar on July 5, 1872, was followed by his immediate activity in professional circles. He entered into partnership with William A. Lynch, of Canton, as a member of the firm of Lynch & Day, and was not long in demonstrating his superior ability in the field of his chosen profession, winning eminence among the distinguished members of the Ohio bar. He continued in active practice until President McKinley called him to public office. He had previously served for a year as judge of the ninth judicial circuit of Ohio. His association with Major McKinley dated from 1872 and their close friendship covered about a quarter of a century. He acted as legal counsel to Major McKinley following the latter's retirement from active connection with the bar, and subsequently became administrator of the McKinley estate. In 1886 Judge Day was elected to the bench of the common pleas court for the ninth judicial district and gave valuable service in that connection for a year but, finding the salary inadequate, he then retired. From President Harrison in 1889 he received the appointment to the office of United States district judge for the northern district of Ohio, but the condition of his health caused him to decline the proffered honor. In April, 1897, President McKinley appointed him assistant secretary of state and for a year he served under the Hon. John Sherman, practically relieving him from the cares and activities of the office. Following the retirement of the venerable secretary, he was appointed to the vacant post in May, 1898, and his record is most clearly indicated in the words of President McKinley already quoted. It was characteristic of Judge Day that he "made no mistakes," for he thoroughly and carefully studied every question that came up for consideration and from every possible angle. When he sent his resignation to President McKinley it was reluctantly accepted with the stipulation that Judge Day should become a member of the peace commission appointed to negotiate the Paris treaty with Spain, and in this connection he served with marked distinction. President McKinley again honored his friend by political appointment when in February, 1899, he named him judge of the United States circuit court

for the sixth judicial circuit, and he continued upon that bench until 1903, when he was appointed associate justice of the United States supreme court, thus being accorded the highest judicial honor that the country can bestow.

On the 24th of August, 1875, Judge Day was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Shaefer, of Canton, a daughter of Louis Shaefer, a prominent pioneer resident of Stark county. Mrs. Day passed away in 1912, leaving four sons: William L., Luther, Stephen A. and Rufus, and the two first named have become distinguished representatives of the bar. The record of Justice Day is one which reflects credit upon Ohio.

COLONEL WILLIAM HENRY MORGAN

Alliance designated Colonel William Henry Morgan as her most distinguished and outstanding citizen. It was not alone because he attained notable success, becoming the head of the largest enterprise of its kind in the country, but also because of the qualities he displayed in every business relation and in the social and civic activities of life. Nature fitted him for leadership and he used his talents wisely and well, becoming one of the great captains of industry, marshaling his industrial forces with the precision of a military commander and, like a great general, displaying not only discipline but justice, fairness and consideration to all who served him. Thus when he passed away the Alliance Review wrote of him: "The death of Colonel William Henry Morgan has touched the heart-strings of the citizens of Alliance and brought poignant regret to all, even beyond the borders of the city, to whom he was known."

Colonel Morgan was a native of Pennsylvania, his birth having occurred in Pittston, Luzerne county, June 1, 1865. He was a son of Thomas R. and Elizabeth (Nicholas) Morgan, who removed from the Keystone state to Alliance, Ohio, when their son, William H., was but six years of age. Throughout the intervening period to his death Colonel Morgan continued a resident here, pursuing his early education in the public schools and afterwards attending Mount Union College, where his more specifically literary education was acquired. When his textbooks were put aside he became asso-

ciated with his father in the plant of the Morgan Engineering Company, then known as the Hammer Shops. With great thoroughness he bent every energy toward the mastery of the business and his keen insight enabled him to recognize defects and needs and to plan for the eradication of these. He always studied his business from every possible angle and he worked his way steadily upward, gaining his promotions not through parental influence but by sheer ability and force of character. Eventually he was made the head of the drafting department of the immense factory controlled by the Morgan interests and had complete charge of designing for the great plant that even at that period was ranked among the notable manufacturing enterprises of America. The rapid strides being made in the electrical world won his attention and his inventive mind turned in that direction. He became associated with the operation of the Alliance Street Railway System, the second electric line in the country, and carrying on his studies and experiments in the electrical field, he brought forth several inventions whose value was immediately recognized in their rapid adoption throughout the country. In the course of an active life he took out more than one hundred patents on inventions which he had perfected, including an electric controller which instantly proved its value and is now in general use in all parts of the world where electricity is generated for mechanical purposes. Naturally many of his inventions were of the most direct and far-reaching benefit to the business of which he eventually became the head, but he also produced in addition to the Morgan controller the Morgan-Gordon disappearing gun-carriage, a mortar carriage and an electric crane. This was the first electric traveling crane made in the world and it soon became standard everywhere, constituting a most potent element in the rapid and substantial growth of the business at Alliance, which soon became the center of the crane industry in America. In 1894 he had been advanced to the office of vice president of the Morgan Engineering Company and three years later took over the entire management of the business. Six months later his father, who had been the founder and original promoter of the enterprise, passed away, (q. v.) and although he was then deprived of the counsel and advice of the senior Morgan, the son soon gave demonstration of possessing not only marked inventive ingenuity but equally marked executive ability and discrimination. He readily discriminated between the essential and the non-essen-

tial in all business affairs and displayed marked ability in coordinating seemingly diverse interests into a harmonious whole. At his fathers death in 1897, Colonel Morgan became president of the company and under his wise management the business was developed until it became the largest corporation of the kind in the world. It has always been closely identified with the government inasmuch as the plant is almost continuously used in furnishing important supplies for use in various federal departments. Of such great importance was the safety of the property of the Morgan Engineering Company to the government that during the war with Spain the works at Alliance, then busily devoted to executing government contracts, received a special guard for the protection of the plant, a military company being detailed for that purpose. During the World war the Morgan Engineering Company made many gun carriages and produced a vast amount of other material for war purposes, and through that period employed about forty-five hundred men. The worth of this enterprise to Alliance can scarcely be overestimated, constituting a notable source of prosperity to the city not only by giving employment to many hundreds but also by bringing into Alliance the capital that accrued from the large sales of the plant.

While the conduct of the business of the Morgan Engineering Company was his chief concern, Colonel Morgan was also identified with other interests. For more than a quarter of a century he was a trustee of Mount Union College and he was long a director of the South Porto Rico Sugar Company and its affiliated organizations. During the last few years Colonel Morgan patented a number of inventions for the milling of sugar cane which are now in operation in Porto Rico by the South Porto Rico Sugar Company. He spent much of his time in his later years on these inventions in which he was deeply interested. He was one of the directors of the First National Bank of Alliance and of the City Savings Bank but in later years withdrew from those institutions. His high standing in connection with the industrial enterprises of the world is indicated in the fact that he was elected to membership in the British Iron and Steel Institute as well as in the American Iron and Steel Institute.

On the 2d of March, 1897, Colonel Morgan married Miss Annette Sharer, a daughter of John H. and Mary Louise (Hartzell) Sharer, of Alliance. Throughout the Civil war her father

served in the One Hundred and Fifteenth Ohio Regiment, on active duty at the front, and was later very prominent in the Grand Army of the Republic, serving as state commander of the Ohio department, which won for him the title of general, by which he was often known. He was likewise a recognized leader in civic affairs, standing uncompromisingly in support of every measure which he deemed of essential worth and benefit to the city. As a member of the council he exercised his official prerogatives to bring about needed reform and improvement and his labors were far-reaching and resultant. His wife was a daughter of James and Annette (Strunk) Hartzell, of a prominent Ohio family, having settled in this state in pioneer times. Mrs. Morgan was educated in the public and high schools of Alliance and in Harcourt Seminary at Gambier, Ohio, and is a lady of innate culture and refinement who has ever presided most graciously over their hospitable home. Colonel and Mrs. Morgan became the parents of two children, but the daughter, Mary Louise, died in infancy. The son, William Henry Morgan, Jr., born May 10, 1904, acquired his preliminary education in The Hill School of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and afterwards attended Yale University, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1926. He is a director and is connected with the Morgan Engineering Company and is widely known in the east as well as in his native city, being a member of the St. Elmo Club of New Haven, Connecticut.

In his political views Colonel Morgan was ever a stalwart republican and at no time was neglectful of the duties of citizenship, giving his material and moral support to all plans which he deemed of worth to his community and to his country. For six years he served as a member of the city council and during five years of that period was president of that body, lending the weight of his influence to constructive measures whereby Alliance greatly benefited. For four years he was aide-de-camp on the personal staff of Governor Nash, of Ohio, and received the commission of colonel. In his fraternal relations he was a Mason, an Elk and a Knight of Pythias. Colonel Morgan passed away in Baltimore, Maryland, March 29, 1928, at the comparatively early age of sixty-three years. Within that period, however, he had advanced far beyond many of his fellow travelers on life's journey and had made valuable contribution to the world's work. One of the local papers said: "The city of Alliance and the manufacturing world has suffered a dis-

tinct loss in the death of Colonel Morgan. Although in recent years he has not mingled so much with the citizenship as in former years, he gave his time and energy to the establishment of which he served as its head for so many years, and thus was deprived of the opportunity of coming in close contact with those with whom he delighted to associate." He was social by nature and delighted in the companionship of his friends. In a review of his career it will be seen that his was a many-sided nature and that his character was splendidly rounded and symmetrical. Unlike many an inventor, he recognized the practical side and brought forth not only many products of the greatest value to industrial interests, but had the executive ability that enabled him to successfully place these on the market and thereby reap the rewards of his talents. His business affairs reached great magnitude yet he did not allow them to fully monopolize his time and attention, finding opportunity for public service in civic affairs, for philanthropy and the promotion of benevolent projects and for the exercise of those kindly qualities which endear a man to his fellows and cause his memory to be known and honored as the attainment of mere material wealth could never do. As the head of the Morgan Engineering Company he made Alliance largely known to the outside world and he always maintained the deepest affection for the city in which practically his entire life was passed. His were great and notable achievements, but back of all this was the greater nature of the man.

ELMER ELLSWORTH MILLER

One of Stark county's notable industries is the Canton Grate Corporation, which has designed and is making and selling a number of appliances which have proven of inestimable value to steam power plants and wherever coal or other fuel are used. The head of this concern, Elmer E. Miller, is a practical mechanical engineer with long and varied experience, and the success which has come to him has been the result of his inventive ability, his sound judgment and his tireless efforts.

Mr. Miller was born in Cairo in Plain township, Stark county, on the 9th of December, 1861, a son of Jacob S. and Elizabeth (Bair) Miller. His father, who was also born in Plain township,

died July 14, 1893, while his mother, born in the same township, November 10, 1840, is now living in Chicago, Illinois, at the age of eighty-eight years. In both paternal and maternal lines Mr. Miller is of German descent, though both families were established in this country in the eighteenth century. Four of his great-grandfathers fought in the Revolutionary war, namely, Captain Christian Miller, who was with Washington at Valley Forge; Rudolph Bair, who held a general's commission; Abraham Miller and Theodore Fouse.

Mr. Miller attended the district schools of his home neighborhood, completing his studies at Worley's Academy on North Cleveland avenue, Canton, which was equivalent to the high schools of the present day. In 1879 he began assisting his father in the latter's sawmill, and was thus employed for five years, after which he entered the employ of the C. Aultman Company, being sent out to set up reapers, binders and mowers. After five years of that kind of work, he was made master mechanic and for eleven years was in the employ of the Gilliam Manufacturing Company, designing and making machinery for the manufacture of the company's products. He resigned that position to accept that of state examiner of engineers, in which capacity he served three years, and then returned to the Aultman company as master mechanic.

Two years later, in 1905, Mr. Miller embarked in business on his own account under the name of the Canton Engineering & Electrical Company, conducting that business until 1908, when he sold out and founded the Canton Grate Company, engaged in the manufacture of grates for industrial plants and boilers and mechanical stokers. In this line he has developed a market all over the United States, his products being recognized as of superior value in both design and material. The Canton Stokers are the result of extensive experiments and the experience of combustion engineers and have given unqualified satisfaction under the most severe and exacting conditions of service, their effectiveness and economy commending them to all who have used them. The Canton shaking and dumping grates, which in their operation are self-adjusting and practically fool proof, have proven themselves efficient steam producers and in many cases have saved their cost within a few months. The company also makes an oil filter and other power plant appliances, in all of which it has built up a substantial and growing business. Mr. Miller is also president of the Stark Foundry Company, which makes castings for the Canton Grate

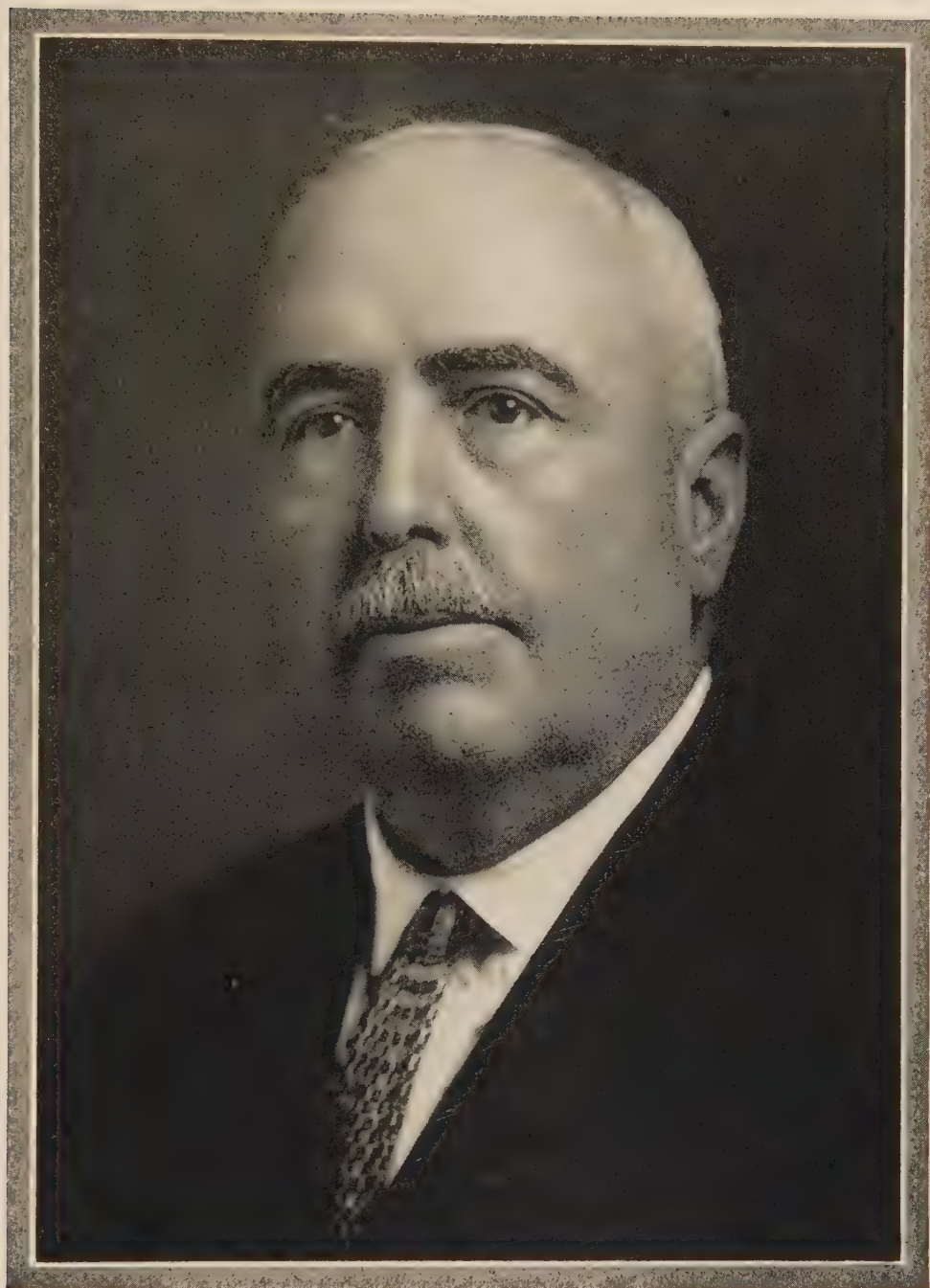
Company, the Miller Pasteurizing Company, the Hoover Company, the Ney Manufacturing Company, the Young Engine Company and other Canton concerns, and also specializes in the making of castings for brick and clay plants.

On August 16, 1885, in Cairo, Ohio, Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Florence C. Henry, who was born October 6, 1861, about two miles north of Cairo, a daughter of Jacob Henry and Elizabeth (Motz) Henry. Her father, who was born in Alsace-Lorraine, is deceased, but her mother, who was born in Lake township, Stark county, now resides in Canton. To Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been born six children, namely: Pearl B., who is the wife of George E. Robinson, of Canton; Bessie Irene, who is supervisor of the Fitzsimmons general hospital at Denver, Colorado; Eva M., who is the wife of Robert H. Wilson, general manager of the Canton Grate Company; Anna B., the wife of M. M. Walker, of Poland Manor, Ohio; Dorothy Christine, the wife of Anthony Thormin, of Cleveland, Ohio; and Mildred F., the wife of Paul J. Snyder, of Akron, Ohio.

Mr. Miller gives his political support to the republican party and is a public-spirited citizen, giving his assistance in the promotion of all measures calculated to advance the best interests of his city or county. He is a member of the United Commercial Travelers, and he and his family belong to Trinity Reformed church in Canton. He has a splendid business record, characterized by earnest effort and honorable dealings, and is regarded as one of Canton's solid and dependable citizens, well worthy of the confidence accorded him by his fellowmen.

HARRY E. FIFE

Among the successful and influential business men of Canton, none is held in higher regard than is Harry E. Fife, president of the Harry E. Fife Company and officially identified with a number of other important enterprises, being regarded as one of Stark county's solid and substantial citizens. He was born in the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on the 4th of January, 1864, a son of James M. and Elizabeth (McCluey) Fife. His father was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, in 1836, and was a member of an old



Harry C. Fife

family of this state. His paternal ancestors were from Fifeshire, Scotland. The family was founded in this country by two brothers who settled in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, early in the eighteenth century, and some of their descendants participated in the Revolutionary war, the War of 1812 and the Mexican war. The mother was born near Londonderry, in Ulster province, in the north of Ireland, and when about one year old was brought to the United States by her parents, who also settled in Pittsburgh, where she was reared and educated, and where her marriage took place. To Mr. and Mrs. James M. Fife were born five sons and four daughters, of whom seven reached mature years and five are now living, namely: Harry E.; R. Frank; Clara J., the wife of James H. Weigert, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; J. Addison, of Canton, and May P. Both parents are deceased, the mother dying March 16, 1924, and the father December 12, 1925.

Harry E. Fife attended the public schools of Canton, graduating from McKinley high school in 1879, after which he was employed as a bookkeeper for eighteen years. During the latter part of this period he was with the plumbing firm of Thebald & Company, in which he eventually acquired an interest. In 1896 he and his father established the Fife Agency and engaged in the insurance business, in which the father was actively interested up to the time of his death. Harry E. Fife is still carrying on the business and also handles bonds and bank stocks. He is energetic and wide-awake in his business affairs and has enjoyed a splendid success. He is also president of the Elks Home Company; president of the Miller-Blanchard Company; vice president of the Canton Supply Company; one of the incorporators of the First Savings & Loan Company; and organizer of the Dollar Savings & Loan Company, which was later consolidated with the First Savings & Loan Company.

On September 2, 1920, in Canton, Mr. Fife was united in marriage to Miss Anna Reed, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of John P. and Eliza (DeWalt) Reed, both of whose families have long resided in Stark county. Mrs. Fife is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and is active in church and missionary work. Mr. and Mrs. Fife have a daughter, Mildred.

In politics Mr. Fife is a stanch republican and has been actively interested in local public affairs, having served on the city

park commission and as a trustee of the Hartford Poor Fund. He is a member of Canton Lodge No. 60, F. & A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Cleveland; Canton Lodge No. 68, B. P. O. E., of which he is a past exalted ruler; the Congress Lake Club and the Canton Club. He was one of the original Canton Cadets, organized in 1876. He is a member of the First Presbyterian church, of which he is vice president and a trustee, and he gives generous support to all worthy benevolent causes. A man of sterling character and straightforward manner, he is utterly without pretense and to a marked degree commands the confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

HARLEY J. HOMAN

Among the well known and highly esteemed citizens of Canton stands Harley J. Homan, who has for many years been associated with the Gibbs Manufacturing Company and has also been prominently identified with public affairs. He was born in Shanesville, Ohio, on the 7th of June, 1879, and is a son of Henry W. and Anne Mary (Showalter) Homan, the former of whom was born at Dalton, Ohio, and now resides in Canton, while the latter, who was born at Shanesville, is deceased. The Homan family has been American for five generations and Henry W. Homan is a veteran of the Civil war. The Showalter family, which was originally of German origin, was established in this country in a very early day and has a strain of Indian blood which runs back to Captain John Smith.

Harley J. Homan received his education in the Canton public schools and then learned the painting trade, which he followed for several years, though in the meantime he was also employed for four years by the Repository Printing Company. In 1906 he entered the service of the Gibbs Manufacturing Company as foreman of the toy department, which at that time occupied one small room, with several employes. The business of this department has gradually increased until today it is an important branch, with several hundred employes. Mr. Homan is now general foreman in charge of production, which position he has held for twenty-

two years. He has devoted his attention untiringly to his duties and has proven a most capable and efficient employe.

On October 24, 1901, in Canton, Mr. Homan married Miss Elsie Edith Peters, who was born in this city, September 16, 1882. Her grandfather was killed in the Civil war in 1861, at which time her father was also in the army. It being the custom at that time to assist women whose fathers and husbands were away from home defending their country, Mrs. Peters was given a log cabin on East Tuscarawas street by the Rowlands, who at that time owned that entire end of the town, and in this cabin Mrs. Homan was born. Her father, Samuel Peters, is deceased. Her mother, who bore the maiden name of Malinda Kearns, was born at North Industry, Ohio, and surviving her husband, still resides at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Homan have one son, Wilbur Floyd, who married Miss Velma Veil and lives in Canton.

Mr. Homan has always been a strong supporter of the republican party and has been active in local affairs. He served as a member of the city council from the fourth ward from 1918 to 1920, was elected again in 1922, and again in 1924 for two years. In this body he rendered able service, being chairman of the committees on public property and sidewalks. In January, 1928, Mayor Curtis appointed him a member of the city civil service commission for a period of two years. Mr. Homan is a member of Canton Council No. 55, J. O. U. A. M., and belongs to the First Methodist Episcopal church. He has exemplified a high type of citizenship in his career and throughout the range of his acquaintance is held in high regard.

ORTON WILLARD ALBAUGH

Orton W. Albaugh, vice president of the McCaskey Register Company, of Alliance, is a man of marked business and executive ability and is one of the most important members of the official personnel of this well known concern. He was born in Kilgore, Carroll county, Ohio, on the 26th day of October, 1892, a son of John David and Martha Lillian (Ruse) Albaugh. The other members of the family are Misses Iona and Nannie Albaugh and Mrs. Walter Dray, all residents of Carrollton; and June, deceased. The

father was a native of Carroll county, and died at Carrollton, October 20, 1912. He was for many years engaged in the piano and organ business in that city and was held in high regard by all who knew him. During the great gold rush to California in 1849 he went to that state and engaged in the contracting business, in which he was fairly successful. He was a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His parents were Basil and Nancy (Beatty) Albaugh, the former of whom was a farmer of Carroll county, a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a supporter of the republican party. Martha L. Albaugh was born at Kilgore, Carroll county, and is now residing in Carrollton.

Orton W. Albaugh attended the public schools of Carrollton and also Oberlin College for two years. On May 11, 1911, he came to Alliance and entered the service of the McCaskey Register Company as a clerk in the accounting department of the general office. Through his faithful and efficient performance of duty, he received merited promotions until now he is a vice president of the company and in charge of sales, in which capacity he has done splendid and appreciated work. He is also vice president of the Mount Union Square Company.

On April 3, 1918, in Ravenna, Ohio, Mr. Albaugh was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Macklin, who was born September 14, 1895, in Columbiana, Ohio, a daughter of Hiram H. and Maggie (DeVore) Macklin. Her father was born in New Springfield, Ohio, November 7, 1835, and died in Columbiana, July 12, 1907. He was graduated from the law school of the University of Michigan with the degree of Bachelor of Laws and was for many years engaged in the practice of his profession at Columbiana. During the Civil war he was one of the famous "Squirrel Hunters" who volunteered at the call of the governor and went to Cincinnati to repel the expected raid of Morgan's cavalry. He was a republican and a member of the Reformed church. His wife was born in Buffalo Mills, Pennsylvania, and died in Alliance, Ohio, April 13, 1927. Mrs. Albaugh has two brothers, and a sister, namely: James E. Macklin, of Alliance; Howard, deceased, and Mrs. Edith M. Amstutz, of Alliance. Mrs. Albaugh was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1913 and attended Mount Union College. She is a member of the Union Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, the Alliance Women's Club, the Mount Union College Women's Club, the Alliance Country Club, and the Daugh-

ters of the American Revolution, being a descendant of Captain John Macklin, an officer in the Revolutionary army.

Mr. Albaugh is a staunch supporter of the republican party and has always shown a deep interest in everything pertaining to the welfare and advancement of his community. During the World war he volunteered his services, but was rejected because of defective vision in one eye. Later he was drafted but was again rejected for the same reason. He is a member of Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; the Alliance Country Club; and the Chamber of Commerce. His religious connection is with the Union Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. He has been true to his obligations of citizenship, standing for all that is best in the life of the community, and his fine business record and his sterling character have won for him a high place in public esteem.

HORATIO WESLEY POORMAN

For nearly twenty years Horatio W. Poorman has been identified with the Sanitary Milk Company of Canton, of which organization he is a director and general sales manager, and among those who have been associated with him he enjoys a splendid reputation for energy, enterprise and business sagacity. He was born in Pike township, Stark county, Ohio, on the 14th of January, 1883, a son of William M. and Clara (Young) Poorman. His paternal ancestors came to this country from Alsace-Lorraine, and three brothers of his great-grandfather served in the war of the Revolution. His grandfather, Jacob Poorman, came from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in a covered wagon and settled in Pike township, Stark county, and in that township was born William M. Poorman, whose death occurred in August, 1904. In the maternal line H. W. Poorman is of German and Scotch descent. His great-grandfather, George Young, was born in Hagerstown, Maryland, and when nine years of age went with his parents to Somerset county, Pennsylvania. He was married there when nineteen years old and a year later came to Ohio, locating first in Jefferson county. In 1816 he came to Pike township, Stark county, leading his one horse, which carried his wife and baby, and

on his arrival here constructed a shelter of poles and brush, which was soon superseded by a log cabin. They seldom saw the face of a white man but Indians frequently called for food. One in particular, suddenly appearing in the doorway, so frightened Mrs. Young that she dropped a bowl of milk that she was carrying. In 1812 George Young was three times drafted for the war but each time furnished a substitute. He was of German extraction, and his death occurred in 1873, when he was ninety-four years of age. He was the father of nineteen children, one of whom, George J., married a Miss Parker, who was of Scottish ancestry, and their daughter Clara became the wife of William M. Poorman and died in 1891. Mrs. Poorman had four brothers in the Union army during the Civil war, one of whom, Frank Young, was an aide on the staff of General Woods.

Horatio W. Poorman attended the district school at Battleground, Ohio, and completed his studies at the Cherry avenue north public school in Canton. For several years he was in the employ of the Diebold Safe & Lock Company, and then engaged in the grocery business for two years. During the three following years he engaged in teaming, after which he was employed as a meat cutter for five years. In 1908 he was for a short time identified with the flour business as an employe of Henry Shock and next entered the employ of the Sanitary Milk Company, with which he has been connected to the present time. After driving a delivery wagon for eighteen months, he was promoted to the position of route foreman, in which capacity he served for seven years. He was next put in charge of ice cream sales, in which position he made a fine record for three years, and was then made ice cream sales manager and in 1926 general sales manager, in which capacity he is still serving. During these years Mr. Poorman acquired an interest in the business and is now a member of the board of directors. By his persistent and well directed efforts he has in large measure contributed to the growth of the business and he commands the respect of all who are acquainted with his fine record.

On June 26, 1904, in Canton, Mr. Poorman was united in marriage to Miss Cora B. Grove, who was born December 4, 1882, in Bethlehem township, Stark county, and is a daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Richards) Grove, both of whom were also natives of Bethlehem township and are deceased. The family is of Holland

origin in the paternal line. To Mr. and Mrs. Poorman have been born three children, namely: Clarence E., who married Miss Thelma B. Patterson and resides in Canton; Wilbur S., who married Miss Joy McKinney and lives in this city, and Katherine M., who is a pupil in the Lehman high school.

Mr. Poorman is a republican in his political affiliations and shows a good citizen's interest in affairs pertaining to the welfare and prosperity of his city and county. He is a member of Buckeye Lodge No. 11, K. P.; the Uniformed Rank, of which he is captain; Canton Council, No. 55, J. O. U. A. M.; the United Commercial Travelers; the Optimist Club; and is a charter member of the Lions Club. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Christian church of Canton. During the World war Mr. Poorman was registered but not called into active service, though he was a member of the Canton Home Guards. He is regarded as a splendid citizen and a man among men, and all who know him hold him in high regard for his excellent business record and his fine personal attributes.

EDWARD ALEXANDER MAHONEY

The Mahoney Sash & Door Company of Canton, of which Edward A. Mahoney is president and treasurer, is one of Stark county's prominent and successful concerns. Mr. Mahoney, who has had extensive experience in this line of business, has won a well merited reputation as a man of keen and reliable judgment in practical matters and is one of this city's solid and substantial citizens.

He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 6th of August, 1892, and is a son of Joseph J. and Anna G. (Moran) Mahoney, the former of whom was born in Dublin, Ireland, and the latter in Blackburn, England, though of Irish descent. The father came to the United States in 1879, landing at Boston, from which city he proceeded to Cleveland, where he has resided continuously to the present time. The mother came to this country in 1883, also disembarking at Boston and coming to Cleveland, where she met and married Mr. Mahoney.

Edward A. Mahoney received his early education in the pa-

rochial school of St. John's cathedral at Cleveland, after which he attended St. Ignatius College in that city, taking a course equivalent to that leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Case or Western Reserve Colleges. He entered the employ of the Whitmer-Jackson Company, sash and door manufacturers in Cleveland, with which concern he filled the position of assistant secretary for twelve years. In 1921 Mr. Mahoney organized the Great Lakes Sash & Door Company at Cleveland, of which he became vice president and treasurer, and in that dual capacity he served until 1925, when he sold his interest in the business and took over its Canton branch. He incorporated this under the name of the Mahoney Sash & Door Company, with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars, and became president and treasurer, while his wife, Edith G. Mahoney, is vice president and secretary. They do a wholesale business in sash and doors, selling to retail lumberyards within a radius of seventy-five miles of Canton, and they also do all lines of mill work and porch work, and handle glass and mirrors. The plant gives employment to nineteen persons and is doing a business of half a million dollars a year. Mr. Mahoney gives his close personal attention to the company's interests and is meeting with a success that reflects his ability and progressive methods. As he has prospered he has wisely invested in real estate and is the owner of several valuable properties in this city.

On May 15, 1917, in the bishop's chapel of St. John's cathedral in Cleveland, Monsignor O'Reilley performed the ceremony which united Mr. Mahoney and Miss Edith G. Rushforth. She was born in that city, December 19, 1897, and is a daughter of Walter and Mary (Maher) Rushforth, the former of whom was born in Lancashire, England, and the latter in Cleveland, Ohio, in which city they still reside. Mrs. Mahoney is a member of the Delphian Society, St. Peter's Altar Society, the Circle of Mercy and the Ladies of the Congress Lake Club. Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney are the parents of two children, namely; Edward A., Jr., who was born February 19, 1920, in Cleveland, and is attending St. Peter's parochial school; and Edith G., Jr., born March 4, 1922.

In his political views Mr. Mahoney is a democrat and is greatly interested in public affairs. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Lion Club and the Congress Lake Country Club, while he and his wife are earnest members of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church. Mr. Mahoney is a veteran of the World war,

having enlisted May 24, 1917, in the headquarters company of the Three Hundred and Eighth Ammunition Train, Thirty-second Division. After a period of training, he embarked at Boston and landed at Liverpool, thence proceeding to Cherbourg, France. He saw much active service, participating in the engagements at Mont Faucon, Nixie Wood and Verdun. He returned to this country in May, 1919, landing at Hoboken, New Jersey, and was honorably discharged shortly afterward. A man of earnest purpose, sound business principles and consistent life, he is not only prosperous in business but also commands the uniform confidence and esteem of all who come in contact with him, while in social circles he is deservedly popular, being a man of cordial and friendly manner.

PETER NEFF

In the important field of scientific refrigeration Peter Neff of Canton is generally regarded as an authority, having for over forty years specialized in this line of engineering, in which his attainments have gained for him recognition among his country's foremost experts. He was born in Gambier, Ohio, on the 15th of March, 1863, a son of Peter and Sarah A. (Biggs) Neff. The family has long been established in this country, being traced back in unbroken line to Rudolph Neff, who was born in Switzerland, September 26, 1727, and, coming to America, took an active part on the side of the colonists during the war of the Revolution, in which he held a captain's commission. He was the father of Peter Neff, who was born at Frankfort, Pennsylvania, February 15, 1764, and who married Miss Rebecca Scout. To this union was born William Neff, February 7, 1792, who removed to Savannah, Georgia, where he engaged in the commission business. He was there married to Miss Elizabeth Clifford Wayne, and in 1825 they moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he engaged in merchandising until his death, which occurred in 1856.

Their son, Peter Neff, Sr., was born in Cincinnati, April 13, 1827; attended the public schools and was graduated from Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio, in 1849. He studied theology at Bexley Hall Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal church at

Gambier, graduating with the class of 1854. He is best known as a scientist and inventor. In association with Professor Hamilton L. Smith of Kenyon College, he perfected a process for taking pictures on iron plates, the result of which was the familiar "tin-type" of later days, and he gave them the name of "melanotypes." In 1856 the American Institute awarded Peter Neff a bronze medal for the best melanotype. In 1864 he commenced the study of the oil fields of western Pennsylvania, and in June, 1865, he struck gas in Coshocton county, Ohio. In 1866 he discovered that lampblack obtained by burning natural gas was of a superior quality, and perfected machinery for the manufacture of this black. In 1878 he published a description of this territory, with an analysis of his "diamond black," in the London Chemical News and in the third volume of the Geological Survey of Ohio. Later in life he became librarian of the Western Reserve Historical Society at Cleveland, Ohio. He was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an original fellow of the Geological Society of America, a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, the Maryland Society of Colonial Wars and the Masonic fraternity. He was married February 27, 1850, to Miss Sarah A. Biggs, a daughter of Rev. Thomas J. Biggs, D. D. His death occurred May 11, 1903, and his widow passed away August 30, 1912. Of the children born to them, the following are living: Elizabeth Clifford, who is a genealogist by profession, Rebekah and Peter, all of whom reside in Canton.

Peter Neff, Jr., completed the course of the public schools and entered Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Letters in 1884, his alma mater subsequently conferring on him the degree of Master of Arts. During 1884-5 he was a fellow in physics in Western Reserve University. In 1886 he took up mechanical refrigeration, starting in the factory of the Arctic Ice Machine Company in Cleveland, and later was made an erecting engineer, then superintendent and eventually became chief engineer for that concern. In 1900 Mr. Neff brought the Arctic Ice Machine Company to Canton and served as president and general manager of the company until its reorganization in 1906, after which he served as its chief engineer until 1912, when he resigned to take up his present work as consulting engineer and specialist in refrigeration. While with the Arctic company, Mr. Neff was instrumental in designing,

among other things, the Horizontal Arctic machine, for which patents were granted.

Mr. Neff was a charter member of the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers and its president during the year 1913. He has held various offices in this, as well as in the International Association. In connection with the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers, he has been a member of many important committees; is a member of the committee for determining the unit ton of refrigeration; is a member of the joint committee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers on test code; is a member of the American Engineers standards committee on the revision of the safety code for refrigerating apparatus, and is a member of the code committee of the industrial commission of the state of Ohio. During the World war Mr. Neff gave advisory services to the government regarding conservation of food products; was employed to design carbonic acid gas refrigerating machines for the Emergency fleet, and was also employed in designing the refrigerating equipment for the nitrate of ammonia plant at Perryville, Maryland.

Mr. Neff has been married twice, first, on October 16, 1895, to Miss Susan E. Williams, a niece of the late Bishop Charles D. Williams of Michigan. She died September 27, 1904, leaving two daughters, Susan Catherine, who is the wife of Herbert J. Cox, of Canton; and Elizabeth Mary, who is in the Nurses Training School of Mount Sinai Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. On August 8, 1906, Mr. Neff married Miss Helen A. Buttles, a daughter of Levi and Jennie E. (Wright) Buttles of Gambier, Ohio. Her ancestry is traced down through a long line, including John Fitch of steamboat engine fame; James Kilbourne, prominent in the early history of Ohio, and the Wrights, who came to Ohio in a very early day and settled at Tallmadge.

Mr. Neff is a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, has been a member of the Canton Club and the University Club of Canton, and for the past twenty years has been senior warden of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church of Canton. He is a republican in his political views and during his residence in this city has consistently supported all measures for the advancement of the community along all legitimate lines. He is an ardent disciple of Izaak Walton, his conception of a "perfect day" being a successful fishing trip, followed up with a good session of bridge and a

romp with his grandchildren. A man of sterling character, marked individuality and kindly and gracious manner, he is greatly esteemed by all who know him, while his professional attainments mark him as one of Stark county's representative men.

ADOLPH J. ROOS

Among Canton's able and highly esteemed business men stands Adolph J. Roos, vice president and treasurer of the Diebold Safe & Lock Company, with which concern he has been connected for over twenty years. He is essentially a self-made man, his success being the legitimate outcome of his persistent and honorable efforts from boyhood, and he has been an active factor in the success of the well known company of which he is an officer.

Mr. Roos was born in Canton on the 7th of January, 1882, a son of John and Ernestine (Hoag) Roos. His father was born in Stuttgart, Germany, October 3, 1854, and was there reared and educated. In 1880 he emigrated to the United States, coming direct to Canton, where he was engaged in the mercantile and real estate business up to the time of his death, which occurred August 17, 1924, when he was seventy years of age. He was a staunch democrat in his political views and was an earnest member of the First Reformed church. His wife was born in Tholheim, Germany, November 4, 1856, and there they were married. Four children were born to them in that country, two of whom died there, and in 1882 Mrs. Roos brought the other two to this country, joining her husband in Canton. They became the parents of sixteen children, seven sons and nine daughters, of whom five are living.

Adolph J. Roos is the fifth in order of birth in this family and the first of the children born in this country. He attended the public graded and Central high schools of Canton, and at the age of fifteen years started out to earn his own livelihood. He took a commercial course in the Canton Actual Business College and his first job was under Hon. U. S. Johnson as bookkeeper for the Elks Street Carnival, the first affairs of that kind held by the Elks in this city. He was then employed as a bookkeeper for the Bucher-Gibbs Plow Company for four years, after which he was



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for three years a bookkeeper for the Canton Pump Company. During the following five years he was employed as bookkeeper and cost accountant with J. H. McLain & Company, and on October 25, 1907, he entered the Diebold Safe & Lock Company to install a cost accounting system. He has been with that company continuously to the present time, during which period he has been advanced through various positions, having been made secretary and treasurer in 1916, and in 1919 became vice president and treasurer. He is also a director of the Canton Mortgage Security Company.

On May 25, 1910, in Alliance, Ohio, Mr. Roos was united in marriage to Miss Emma Sylvia Ritschard, who was born in Robertsville, Stark county, December 18, 1884, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Ritschard, both natives of Switzerland. Mrs. Roos died December 14, 1927, leaving three children, namely: Shirley Ann, born October 8, 1911; Ernst Robert, born February 15, 1915; and Elizabeth Jane, born August 17, 1918.

Mr. Roos takes an active interest in public affairs but maintains an independent attitude in politics, voting for the candidates whom he regards as best qualified for the offices they seek. He is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E., the Canton Club, the Rotary Club, the Congress Lake Club and the Chamber of Commerce and is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious connection is with the First Reformed church, and he teaches in the Sunday school. A man of strong character and earnest purpose, he makes a favorable impression on all who come in contact with him, and is regarded as one of Canton's best citizens, being a consistent supporter and advocate of those things which promote the public welfare.

JAMES ANDERSON

One of the most reliable building contracting concerns of Alliance is that of Anderson Brothers, of which firm James Anderson is a member. They have done a large amount of contracting in Stark county and have gained a fine reputation for the high quality of their work and their sound business methods.

James Anderson was born at St. Andrews, Scotland, on the

6th of May, 1885, a son of Alexander and Isabella (Thompson) Anderson. The father was also born in Scotland, July 29, 1849, and died in Alliance, Ohio, June 22, 1917. He was a contractor and builder and was associated with his sons under the name of Anderson Brothers in the contracting business up to the time of his death. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Scotland, November 2, 1845, a daughter of John Thompson, and is still living in Alliance.

James Anderson was educated in the public schools and at Gartsherrie Academy in Coatbridge, Scotland, and when twenty-one years of age came to the United States with his parents, his brothers, Colin and Andrew, and his sisters, Isabella and Euphemia. His two oldest brothers, Alexander, now deceased, and David, had preceded them to this country, first settling in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where they followed the trade of stone cutting for four or five years. They then came to Alliance and engaged in contracting and building under the firm name of Anderson & Anderson. About a year after the arrival of the parents and five of their children, the other brothers and a sister came, namely: John, Robert, George and Bessie, who completed the family circle of eleven children. Shortly afterward the firm was changed from Anderson & Anderson to that of Anderson Brothers, composed of David, James, Colin and Robert Anderson. Some of the best residences in this part of the county stand as monuments to their painstaking and thorough workmanship, one of which is James Anderson's home at 426 East Milton street, Alliance.

On July 1, 1908, in Alliance, James Anderson was united in marriage to Miss Anna Jane Kirkland, who was born in County Armagh, Ireland, December 30, 1887, a daughter of Robert and Mary Jane (Cullen) Kirkland. Her father was born in Ireland, April 20, 1854, and died in Alliance in 1916, being buried at Amsterdam, Ohio. He had followed coal mining, but had retired some time prior to his death. He was a republican and was a member of the Amsterdam Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Ireland, July 4, 1857, and died in Amsterdam, August 10, 1908. Mrs. Anderson was educated in the public schools of County Armagh, Ireland, and when eighteen years of age accompanied her mother to the United States, having been preceded to this country by her father and brothers, who located in Amster-

dam, Ohio, where the family lived for several years, later moving to Alliance. Mrs. Anderson is a member of the Daughters of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the parents of three children: James A., born April 13, 1909, was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1926 and is now a student in the Case School of Applied Science. Violet B., born March 2, 1912, is a senior in the Alliance high school. Isabella Thompson, born August 30, 1914, is a freshman in the Alliance high school.

Mr. Anderson is a republican in his political alignment, is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees, and he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Anderson has proven a loyal citizen of his adopted country and has given his earnest support to all measures for the improvement or betterment of his city or county. A man of sound business judgment, guided by right principles, and cordial and friendly in his social relations, he has proven himself worthy of confidence and respect and has a large circle of warm friends throughout the city in which he lives.

GUY ELBERT ALLOTT

Guy Elbert Allott, president of the Allott Hardware Company of Alliance, has for many years been numbered among the progressive and enterprising business men of the city, while as a private citizen his record has gained for him the uniform respect of his fellowmen. He was born at Coalburg, Trumbull county, Ohio, on the 23d of December, 1880, a son of Benjamin C. and Mary Ann (Ferguson) Allott. The father was born at Hubbard, Ohio, September 26, 1857, and was for many years engaged in the hardware business in Alliance but is now retired and living in Altadena, California. He is a republican in his political views and is an elder in the Christian church. His parents Joseph and Caroline (Parkin) Allott, were born in Yorkshire, England, and are now deceased, the former dying at Coalburg, Ohio, and the latter in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Joseph Allott, who was a coal miner by occupation, voted the republican ticket and was a member of the Christian church. Mary Ann (Ferguson) Allott was born in Detroit, Michigan, June 18, 1858, and died in Alliance, Ohio, January 12, 1908. She was a daughter of Angus and Mary Fer-

guson, both of whom were natives of Scotland and are deceased, the former dying at Welland Canal, Canada, and the latter in Detroit, Michigan. Mr. Ferguson was a mason contractor and was engaged in excavation work on the Welland canal at the time of his death.

Guy E. Allott attended the public schools of Somerdale, Ohio, and Mount Union College, graduating with the degree of Ph. B. in the class of 1901, and he is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. After leaving college he was associated with his father in the hardware business in Alliance, eventually becoming his father's partner. The business was incorporated in 1903 as the Allot-Kryder Hardware Company, but later the name was changed to the Allott Hardware Company. The business is located at 513-519 East Main street. For the past ten years Guy Allott has been president of the company, which has had a very successful career and is numbered among the solid and substantial concerns of the city. He is also a director of the City Savings Bank & Trust Company, a director of the Security Loan & Building Company and a director of the Midland Savings & Loan Company, all of Alliance.

On August 4, 1920, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Allott was united in marriage to Miss Gwen Jones, who was born in Delaware, Ohio, October 23, 1889, and is a daughter of Arthur and Josephine (Phelps) Jones. Her father, who was born and reared in Delaware, Ohio, became a farmer and cattle raiser and died on his farm near that city. He was an active republican in politics, served two terms as a member of the Ohio state legislature and was a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal church. His wife was born in Westerville, Ohio, and resides in Alliance. Mrs. Allott attended the public schools of Delaware and was graduated from the high school at Upper Sandusky. She is a registered nurse, having graduated from the Jane Case Hospital in Delaware, and she followed nursing prior to her marriage, while during the World war she was an army nurse at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio. She belongs to the Alliance Women's Club and the Mount Union College Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Allott are the parents of a daughter, Mary Josephine, born September 18, 1924.

Mr. Allott has always been a republican in his political affiliation and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Fratern-

ally he belongs to Conrad Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council, No. 112, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery, No. 67, K. T.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R., Cleveland, and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland. He is a past president and a director of the Alliance Rotary Club and a director of the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is now president in 1928, and for the past twenty years has been graduate manager of athletics at Mount Union College. He is a charter member and a director of the Alpha Tau Omega Home Company, which built the fraternity house at the college, having served also on the building committee likewise he has been secretary of the Alpha Tau Omega alumni association for many years. He belongs to the Alliance Country Club, and his hobbies are horticulture and Oriental rugs, of which he is regarded as an expert judge. He has always been active in matters affecting the welfare of his community and during the World war had charge of publicity for all of the Liberty Loan drives excepting the first one, doing much effective service in that direction. He does thoroughly and well whatever he undertakes and, while closely devoted to his individual business interests he belongs to that class of representative citizens who promote the public interests while advancing their personal affairs. Because of his splendid business reputation, his sterling qualities of character and his genial and friendly manner, he commands the unqualified confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens.

HILON STEWART SUMNER

At the foundation of the prosperity of every city is the work of the successful business man of the type of Hilon Stewart Sumner, whose activities in connection with the creamery industry have been of direct benefit to Canton as well as a source of individual aggrandizement. He was born in Akron, Ohio, August 6, 1864, a son of George Holland and Mertillie (Brittain) Sumner, the former a native of Jamaica, Vermont, while the latter was born in Pennsylvania. In the paternal line Mr. Sumner is of English stock, and his maternal ancestors were from Germany. He is a lineal descendent of the noted American statesman, Senator

Charles Sumner of Massachusetts, and an uncle, Increase Sumner, led a party of '49ers across the western desert. They were determined to turn back, but he started them westward at the point of a gun, saying that if they turned back they would surely die anyhow.

Hilon S. Sumner received his early education at Coddingtonville, a town located west of Akron, and attended the high school in Copley, Summit county, Ohio. After completing his studies he learned the jeweler's trade, which he followed for thirty years in a store at Akron, and then removed to Canton, where he has since resided. In 1912 he built the creamery at No. 716 Rex avenue, northeast, where he had about four thousand square feet of floor space, and in that year churned approximately one hundred thousand pounds of butter. The business grew so rapidly that these quarters proved inadequate and in 1920 an additional floor space of forty thousand feet was secured. In 1920 the business was incorporated under the name of the Sumner Creamery Company, capitalized at one hundred thousand dollars. The present officers of the corporation are: H. S. Sumner, president and treasurer; John Schubach, vice president; and F. E. Foy, secretary. They have a fine modern plant at Nos. 716-722 Rex avenue, northeast, and manufacture butter and cheese of superior quality. They also handle eggs and milk-fed poultry and sell only in wholesale lots. Starting with five employes, the firm now requires thirty-five and during the first year of its existence the company transacted a business of ninety-five thousand dollars, while it now amounts to about one million dollars. This remarkably rapid development has been due in large measure to the tireless efforts and administrative powers of Mr. Sumner, who knows every phase of the dairy industry, and is also a director of the Sanitary Milk Company of Canton.

Mr. Sumner was married September 17, 1896, in Akron, Ohio, to Miss Nellie L. Stillwell, who was born November 7, 1875, in that city. Her parents were Ezekiel and Eliza (Sumner) Stillwell, the former a native of Summit county, while the latter was born in Mogadore, Portage county, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Sumner have two children: Gay Adelbert, who is taking a course in public accounting at Occidental College in Eagle Rock, California; and Donald Leslie, a senior in the Eagle Rock high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner are affiliated with the Congregational

church of Eagle Rock, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is past president of the Kiwanis Club of Eagle Rock and an influential factor in the affairs of that organization, whose activities include the maintenance of the McKinley Home for Boys. This fine institution, which cares for more than five hundred boys, is situated in the San Fernando valley and sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Los Angeles. The main objective of the Eagle Rock Club is the student revolving loan fund, enabling many students to finish their college course. Mr. Sumner is a man of high principles and substantial qualities, progressive and reliable in business, and loyal and public-spirited in all matters of citizenship.

HENRY C. MILLIGAN

With the manufacture of enamel ware Henry C. Milligan has been identified from the time business of this character was undertaken in America, and as president and treasurer of the Republic Stamping & Enameling Company he has made notable contribution to the industrial and commercial development of Canton. A native of New York city, he was born October 22, 1852, and traces his ancestry back to Samuel Milligan, who came from Scotland to the new world in 1798, settling in New York city. Records in possession of Mr. Milligan trace the ancestral line further back through a period of seven centuries. His father, Gilbert M. Milligan, was reared and educated in the eastern metropolis and there spent practically his entire life, filling the responsible position of secretary and treasurer of the Central Railroad of New Jersey at the time of his death, which occurred in 1858, when he was in the forty-ninth year of his age. He married Lucy Cleveland Smith and they became the parents of eight children, four sons and four daughters, one of whom, Samuel Milligan, named for his grandfather, was a Civil war veteran, having been commissioned a captain in Harris' light cavalry. He came home invalided from the war and died of fever.

Henry C. Milligan, the youngest of the eight children and the only one surviving, acquired his education in private schools of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and in 1868, when sixteen years of age,

started out to earn his own livelihood, entering the employ of the Lalance & Grosjean Manufacturing Company, which firm was the first to import enamel ware from Europe. This ware was manufactured in France and the firm maintained salesrooms and distribution offices in New York city, but after a short time, believing such ware might profitably be manufactured in America, they established a plant, in which Mr. Milligan served a three years' apprenticeship, thus learning all branches of the manufacture of the product, so that practical experience constituted the basis of his later success in this field. His connection with the Lalance & Grosjean Manufacturing Company extended for four years after the completion of his apprenticeship and thus he familiarized himself with every phase of the business relating to the distribution of the product and the management of sales as well as manufacture. It was in 1870, two years following the importation of the first enamel ware into the United States, that this firm began manufacturing, establishing its plant on Long Island.

In 1876 Mr. Milligan embraced the opportunity of broadening the scope of his interests by organizing the first American firm for the manufacture of enamel ware in the United States at Newark, New Jersey, under the style of the Newark Stamping Company. For several years the business was successfully carried on under his management, when others, seeing the great possibilities in this field, prevailed upon Mr. Milligan to sell his interest, which he did, continuing, however, in the sale of the product with other manufacturers. In 1898 he organized the Crescent Enamel Company at Cleveland, Ohio, and this was later merged with the Carnahan Stamping & Enameling Company of Canton, Ohio, the merger being effected in 1900 and Mr. Milligan continuing active in the control of the business until 1905, when he disposed of his interests in that corporation and organized the Republic Stamping & Enameling Company, the business being located at 1325 Harrison avenue, southwest, in Canton, Ohio. The plant is today the largest exclusive plant of its kind in the world, the actual floor space containing four hundred thousand square feet, or nine acres, with a ground site of thirty-five acres. One thousand workmen are employed in the factory and the daily output is one hundred and seventy-five thousand pieces of finished ware. Lowell said: "An institution is but the lengthened shadow of a man," and in analyzing the career of Mr. Milligan it is only necessary to know of

this mammoth productive industry which he has developed to become cognizant of his powers of organization, his executive ability and broad vision. Moreover, in addition to his multitudinous and important duties in connection with the mammoth enterprise of which he is the supervising head he is also chairman of the board and treasurer of the Federal Machine & Welding Company of Warren, Ohio, which is also the largest business of its kind in America.

Moreover, the activities of Mr. Milligan have touched the general interests of America as well, for as chairman of the Metal Ware Company he made a survey for the national government in European countries for the purpose of giving to those in authority necessary information whereby the present tariff schedule was regulated. The information he acquired through his survey was turned over to the ways and means committee, was regarded as a most complete work of that character and became the basis of the present tariff schedule in that field. Mr. Milligan is recognized today as the dean in his particular field of business, his opinions at all times being accepted as authority by those interested in enamel ware manufacturing.

In Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Milligan was married to Miss Mila Jane France, a native of Wooster, Ohio, and a representative of one of the old and prominent families of the state. Mrs. Milligan, who was a prominent club woman and noted for her many charities, passed away February 17, 1928, at her home, 1522 Cleveland avenue, northwest, after an illness of several days. She was the granddaughter of John A. France, a pioneer of Wooster, who laid out a map of Wooster. Her maternal grandfather was John R. Anderson. At an early age she moved with her family to Cleveland, where she lived until twenty-seven years ago, when she became the bride of Mr. Milligan and moved to Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Milligan celebrated their twenty-seventh wedding anniversary in their home about a week before her death. They returned early in the year from Redlands, California, where they had spent several months. Mrs. Milligan always accompanied Mr. Milligan on extensive travels and they made several trips around the world. When not traveling in foreign lands, they enjoyed their summers at their home at Big Moose, New York, which is one of the show places in the Adirondacks, and each year many Cantonians were entertained there. Mrs. Milligan was a charter member of the

Canton Woman's Club. She devoted most of her spare time to various charities, and many families were aided by her generosity. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church. Surviving her are her husband, and a sister, Mrs. Edwin R. Harris of New York city.

One who sees Mr. Milligan at his desk in Canton would scarcely think that his leisure is largely devoted to art work when in his mountain home. A lover of art throughout his entire life, it was not until he was fifty years of age that he had the opportunity for self-expression in this field but today, according to many who know, he is the owner of many beautiful canvases which are his work and which so interpret nature in many of its phases as to make strong appeal to those who, like himself, have always felt the deepest attachment for the out-of-doors. Naturally he possesses, too, many fine works of old masters and of modern painters, and it is this love for the beautiful that has taken him out of the business life and maintained an even balance in his character. On political questions he is a republican where national issues are involved and in local elections regards the capability of the candidate rather than his political affiliation. In addition to his membership in all of the important clubs of Canton he is a member of the Ohio Society of New York. He has held to the highest ideals of manhood and of citizenship, and with a nature that shuns rather than courts publicity, he has nevertheless come into notable prominence by what he has achieved and has made valuable contribution to the world's work.

ERVIN G. DOUGHERTY, D. D. S.

Dr. Ervin G. Dougherty is numbered among Canton's leading dentists, having been engaged in the practice of his profession here for over twenty years, and he commands the respect of all who have employed his services. He was born in Greentown, Stark county, Ohio, on the 23d of September, 1881, and is a son of Lewis Edwin and Clara (Hart) Dougherty, the former of whom was born August 28, 1853, and died September 2, 1926, while the latter was born in 1858, and died December 12, 1886. The Dougherty family originated in the north of Ireland and was established

in this country prior to the war of the Revolution. The Doctor's grandfather, James C. Dougherty, was at one time recorder of Stark county. His wife bore the maiden name of Gorgas and her father removed from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, to Louisville, Ohio, and later to Greentown. He was of Spanish extraction and was a clockmaker by trade. Colonel Gorgas, who gained fame because of his efficient work in connection with the building of the Panama canal, was a cousin of Mrs. Dougherty. The Doctor's maternal great-grandfather Hart came from Connecticut in 1823, traveling in a covered wagon and settling in Springfield township, Summit county, Ohio, where he took up land and cleared a farm. The maternal grandmother was a Meacham, of New England stock.

Ervin G. Dougherty received his educational training in the public schools of Greentown, graduating from high school in 1900, after which he entered the dental department of Ohio Medical University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1903. He entered upon the practice of his profession at Greentown, where he remained until 1905, when he moved to North Canton and in 1907 to Canton, where he has practiced to the present time, having nicely furnished and well equipped offices at 133 Tuscarawas street east.

On November 29, 1905, at the home of the bride in North Canton, Dr. Dougherty was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Esther Shook, who was born in North Canton, October 19, 1886, a daughter of William M. and Sarah A. (Shaeffer) Shook. Her father, who now lives in Alton, Illinois, is descended from a long line of American ancestors, the family having been established in this country prior to the war of the Revolution. In his earlier years he followed the trade of a millwright but later became an inventor, designing a new type of flourmill and inventing a new flour bleaching process. His wife, who was born October 13, 1853, resides in Canton. Dr. and Mrs. Dougherty are the parents of three children, namely: C. Jane, born November 29, 1909, was graduated from high school and will enter Oberlin College in the fall of 1928; Harry Benjamin, born March 22, 1908, is a student in free medicine in the medical school of Ohio State University; and John Edwin, born September 2, 1906, was graduated in free medicine from Oberlin College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts

in 1928 and will complete his medical studies in Western Reserve University.

Dr. Dougherty is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Psi Omega dental fraternity at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He is a man of earnest purpose, has been loyal to the highest ideals of his profession and has proven well worthy of the splendid success which has crowned his life work.

FABER J. DRUKENBROD

Faber J. Drukenbrod, member of the law firm of Hart & Drukenbrod, is one of Canton's leading young attorneys and is earning a reputation for ability, fidelity and success that is gaining for him an extensive clientele. He was born in Middlebranch, Stark county, on the 23d of February, 1899, a son of Ivy B. and Elta (Combs) Drukenbrod. On the paternal side the father was of Holland-Dutch stock, while his mother, who bore the maiden name of Bair, was a native of Germany. His grandfather was Samuel Drukenbrod, Jr., a son of Samuel Drukenbrod. Ivy B. Drukenbrod was born at Middlebranch and died February 9, 1916. For ten years he served as superintendent of the Stark County Infirmary and later as superintendent of the Fairmount Children's Home at Alliance, his wife being matron of that institution at the same time. She was born in Canton, October 19, 1865, and still resides there, and is of Irish descent.

Faber J. Drukenbrod attended the public schools, graduating from the high school in 1917, after which he entered Columbia University, New York city, but completed his classical course in Mount Union College at Alliance, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1921. He then entered the law school of Ohio State University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1923, and on January 4th of that year he entered upon the practice of his profession in Canton. He is now a member of the firm of Hart & Drukenbrod and is located at 403 First National Bank building.

Politically Mr. Drukenbrod is a republican and is president of the McKinley Republican Club of Canton. Fraternally he is a member of Lathrop Lodge No. 676, F. & A. M.; Canton Chapter



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No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council No. 35, R. & S. M.; Emeth Lodge of Perfection, Mystic Council of Princes of Jerusalem and Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix, all at Canton, and Lake Erie Consistory, at Cleveland, A. A. S. R.; Buckeye Lodge No. 11, K. P.; Canton Lodge, L. O. O. M.; the American Legion; the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Psi Kappa Omega fraternities of Mount Union College, and the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity of Ohio State University. Socially he belongs to the Canton Club and the Shady Hollow Country Club, while his religious membership is with the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton. In 1918 Mr. Druk-enbrod was a member of the reserve officers' training camp at Mount Union College but was not called into the service. He is a man of strong individuality and pleasing address, makes a favorable impression on all who come in contact with him, and his record as lawyer and citizen has gained for him the uniform confidence and respect of all who know him.

RALPH K. RAMSAYER, M. D.

Though a comparatively recent addition to the medical profession in Stark county, Dr. Ralph K. Ramsayer has already established a high reputation as an able and skilled physician and is building up a very satisfactory practice in Canton. He was born August 23, 1898, at North Georgetown, Columbiana county, Ohio, and is a son of George F. and Laura (King) Ramsayer. The family is of German origin in the paternal line, the Doctor's grandfather, George F. Ramsayer, Sr., having been a native of Wurttemberg, Germany, whence he came to the United States in 1855 and settled in Stark county, Ohio, where he engaged in the live stock business. His death occurred there at the age of seventy-five years. He married Miss Mary Hoffman, whose parents were also natives of Germany and became early settlers of Stark county.

Among their children is George F. Ramsayer, Jr., who was born in Stark county and attended the public schools. Later he entered Mount Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1899, and then engaged in teaching school for a period of fifteen years, during which time he taught at Alliance, Stark county, and Hudson, Summit county.

He then turned his attention to the live stock business, in which he is still extensively engaged. He is a staunch democrat in politics and takes an active interest in public and civic affairs. His wife, Mrs. Laura (King) Ramsayer, was born at North Georgetown, Columbiana county, and is a daughter of Jason and Harriett (Firestone) King, both of whom were members of pioneer families of that locality. Mrs. King had six brothers who served in the Union army during the Civil war, and one of them, Solomon Firestone King, became a successful banker and served as judge of the probate court of Columbiana county. The Firestone family was of German origin, while the King family is traced back to England, though established in America in colonial days. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsayer now reside at Homeworth, Columbiana county. They are the parents of three children, namely: Ralph K., of this review; Helen, who was graduated from Mount Union College and from Radcliffe College of Harvard University and is now teaching in the high schools of Cleveland, Ohio; and Herbert, who is a student in Mount Union College.

Ralph K. Ramsayer secured his early education in the public schools of Columbiana and Stark counties, graduating from the Alliance high school in 1914. He was graduated from Mount Union College with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1918 and then matriculated in the medical school of Western Reserve University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1922. He served as interne and resident physician at the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, and at the Cleveland Maternity Hospital and Cleveland Clinic for four years, specializing in obstetrics and gynecology. In 1926 he came to Canton and engaged in the active practice of his profession, for which he had received thorough training and experience.

On June 26, 1926, at Findlay, Hancock county, Ohio, Dr. Ramsayer was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Bayless, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of Theodore and Mamie (Knepper) Bayless. Her father has long been prominently identified with state and national democratic politics. He is now probate judge of Hancock county, Ohio. Mrs. Ramsayer was graduated from Western Reserve University with the degree of Bachelor of Science. She is a member of the Canton College Club and is very active in religious work, being a teacher in the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church. After their marriage

Dr. and Mrs. Ramsayer took a honeymoon trip to Canada and Europe, and while abroad the Doctor visited the principal hospitals and clinics in France, Austria, Germany and England.

Dr. Ramsayer votes the democratic ticket on national issues, but at local elections he is independent. He is a member of Homeworth Lodge, No. 499, F. & A. M.; Cleveland Chapter, R. A. M.; Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland. He also belongs to the Canton University Club, the Shrine Country Club of Canton, the Lakeside Country Club, the Canton Wise Men's Club, the American Business Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian church.

Dr. Ramsayer is on the staff of Mercy Hospital and on the associate staff of Aultman Hospital. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Cleveland Academy of Medicine. During the World war, the Doctor served in the Officers Reserve Training Corps and was stationed at Cleveland and Columbus. Because of his professional success, his deep human sympathy and kindly manner, he has made for himself a large place in public esteem and has won many warm and loyal friends throughout the community in which he lives.

ROBERT AULD, JR.

Among the active and successful real estate and insurance men of Alliance, Robert Auld, Jr., holds a prominent place. He is wide-awake and progressive in business affairs and through his honorable and effective methods has won the respect of all who have had dealings with him. He was born in Alliance on the 1st of June, 1889, a son of Robert and Janet (Bewick) Auld. He is of Scottish ancestry and is the third in direct descent from Robert and Ann (McPierson) Auld, both of whom were of English extraction, but were born in Scotland, the former February 4, 1804, and the latter December 3, 1803. They spent their lives near Glasgow and there they died, Mr. Auld on June 29, 1879, and his wife on February 17, 1882. They were the parents of John Auld, who was born in Glasgow, September 16, 1829, and died in Al-

liance, Ohio, November 11, 1905. In Scotland he served as superintendent of a coal mine, but after coming to Stark county he became the senior member of the firm of John Auld & Sons, dealers in builders' supplies and coal. He was a republican in politics and a member of the Presbyterian church. He married Miss Mary Peebles, who was also a native of Scotland and died in Alliance. They were the parents of Robert Auld, Sr., who was born in Scotland, April 9, 1854.

In 1880 Robert Auld, Sr., came to America and a short time later was joined by his parents, two brothers and one sister, the family locating in Alliance. A partnership was formed consisting of the father and his three sons, Robert, William and John, and they began dealing in coal and building supplies under the firm name of John Auld & Sons. Robert Auld, Sr., was also at one time engaged in the manufacture of brick and tile in Alliance. He has been a director of the Alliance Clay Product Company from its organization to the present time, and has a reputation as a keen and sagacious business man. He is now practically retired from active pursuits, devoting his attention mainly to the management of his real estate holdings in this city. He has been an active supporter of the republican party and at one time served as a member of the equalization board of Alliance. He has also served as a trustee of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a member. His wife was born in Scotland, June 3, 1859, and is a daughter of Alexander and Margaret (Weir) Bewick, both of whom were lifelong residents of Scotland, where her father was employed as a coal miner. They were earnest members of the Presbyterian church.

Robert Auld, Jr., was graduated from the Alliance high school and attended Mount Union College and Ohio State University, after which he took up civil engineering. He followed that occupation until December 12, 1917, when he enlisted in the United States air service. About three months prior to the close of the war, he was transferred to the engineer officers' training school at Camp Humphreys, near Washington, D. C., where he received an honorable discharge November 23, 1918. He then opened an office in Alliance and followed civil engineering until February, 1921, when he and John E. Bay embarked in the real estate and insurance business in this city. This proved a successful venture and in 1926 they incorporated the business under the name of

Auld & Bay, Inc. They have been successful and are enjoying a large business in both insurance and real estate, being regarded as one of the most reliable firms in the city.

On September 1, 1921, in Canton, Ohio, Mr. Auld was united in marriage to Miss Lena Marie McGirr, who was born in Alliance in 1903 and is a daughter of Earl and Amanda (Hartzell) McGirr. Her father is engaged in farming near Alliance. Mr. and Mrs. McGirr are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Auld, who was graduated from the Alliance high school, is a member of the Presbyterian church and belongs to the Pythian Sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Auld are the parents of three children: Hazel Marie, born May 22, 1922; Patricia Jane, born February 22, 1925; and Margaret Joanne, born January 21, 1928.

In his political views Mr. Auld is a republican, while fraternally he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, the American Legion, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon college fraternity, and the Triangle Fraternity, a national engineering society, and he also belongs to the Lions Club of Alliance, the Real Estate Board and the Alliance Chapter of Insurance Agencies. He has always been keenly interested in the affairs of his city and county, his activities touching the general interests of both, and he is a cooperant factor in every plan for the promotion of the public welfare. Because of his good business record, the high type of citizenship exemplified in his life and his excellent personal qualities, he is held in high regard by all who know him.

HARRY C. WEIBLE

Harry C. Weible, secretary and assistant treasurer of the Diebold Safe & Lock Company, is one of Canton's well known business men, having been connected with this great concern for many years, during which period he has risen steadily in public regard. He was born at Smithville, Wayne county, Ohio, on the 2d of December, 1883, and is a son of George M. and Libbie (McFadden) Weible. His father, whose family came to Ohio from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, was born at Pigeon Run, Tus-

carawas county, this state, April 19, 1855, while the mother was born near Wooster, Wayne county, and died in 1895.

Mr. Weible received his early educational training in the public schools of Ononee, Illinois, which he attended six years, after which he was in the schools of Shreve, Ohio, for three years, and was graduated from the high school in Orrville, Ohio, in 1902. He was employed in the office of the Adams Express Company for three years, after which he was a messenger on the road for that company eight years. In 1914 Mr. Weible moved to Canton and entered the employ of the Diebold Safe & Lock Company as a cost clerk. He was promoted to the position of chief accountant, and in 1926 was appointed to his present position as secretary and treasurer of the company, the duties of which he is discharging in a very capable and efficient manner. The Diebold Safe & Lock Company was originally organized in Cincinnati, Ohio, in August, 1876, under the name of the Diebold & Kienzle Company, of which Anton Diebold was the moving spirit. When the business was moved to Canton it was incorporated as the Diebold Safe & Lock Company, with a capital stock of fifty thousand dollars. During the ensuing years the business steadily increased, and the capital stock was correspondingly increased until 1921, when it became six hundred thousand dollars, at which it now stands. It is engaged in the manufacture of fire resisting and burglarproof safes and vaults and safe deposit vaults and boxes. Its products are sold throughout the civilized world, the principal foreign markets being South America, Japan, China, Central America and Cuba. Mr. Weible is treasurer of the Homeworth Oil & Gas Company and secretary of the Edward R. Hart Company.

On May 26, 1908, at the bride's home in Massillon, Ohio, Mr. Weible was united in marriage to Miss Grace Stahl, who was born at Wilmot, Ohio, February 10, 1886. Her father, Silas Z. Stahl, was born near Churubusco, Indiana, and now resides in Massillon, Ohio, while her mother, who was a native of Stark county, Ohio is deceased.

Politically, Mr. Weible is a stanch republican, and fraternally is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 431, F. & A. M., of which he was master in 1927 and is now a trustee; Canton Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.; Canton Council, No. 35, R. & S. M.; Canton Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Emeth Lodge of Perfection, Mystic Council of Princes of Jerusalem and Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix,

all at Canton, and Lake Erie Consistory, and A. A. S. R., at Cleveland, Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., also at Cleveland. He belongs to the Lakeside Shrine Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Christian church of Canton, and Mrs. Weible belongs to the Dorcas class of that society. Mr. Weible is a member of the Loyal Men's class. He has proven a good citizen in the best sense of the term, is deservedly popular among his associates and friends, and throughout the community is held in high esteem.

WILLIAM E. SARVER

William E. Sarver, city engineer of Canton for fifteen consecutive years, has a broad experience as a civil engineer. Born in this city, June 21, 1871, he is a son of Michael and Eliza Jane (Anderson) Sarver. In the latter part of the eighteenth century representatives of the Sarver family came from Germany and settled in Pennsylvania among the pioneers who reclaimed that state from the wilderness. Michael Sarver was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1835, and spent his youthful days there, after which he became a resident of Ohio. He had previously attended Mount Pleasant College and had taught in the public schools of his native state, while later he worked in the oil fields, taking active part in the development of the oil industry there. At a subsequent period he began studying law in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and entered upon the practice of his profession, but ill health obliged him to discontinue his labors in that field. It was then that he determined to take up some form of outdoor life and in 1865 came to Stark county, purchasing land in Canton township, after which he concentrated his energies upon general agricultural pursuits and stock raising and also established a plant for the manufacture of brick upon his farm. While he remained a resident of Stark county for several years, his health did not improve, and he ultimately went to Santa Barbara county, California, where he purchased a farm upon which he resided until his death on the 18th of March, 1877. It was on the 27th of September, 1859, that he wedded Eliza Jane Anderson, who was

born at Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, October 23, 1837, her parents being Cunningham and Christina (Schall) Anderson, also natives of Mount Pleasant, born in 1806 and 1809, respectively. Mrs. Sarver survived her husband for many years, passing away in Canton, June 12, 1912, at the age of seventy-four. They were the parents of six children, three sons and three daughters.

The fifth in order of birth in this family was William E. Sarver, who at the usual age became a pupil in the rural schools, while subsequently he had the advantage of educational training in the Central high school at Canton, from which he was graduated in 1888. He spent the succeeding eighteen months in the employ of a civil engineer, and in 1891 he matriculated in the University of Ohio at Columbus, pursuing a four years' course in civil engineering and winning his professional degree at his graduation with the class of 1895. It was then that he became identified with the city engineering department of Canton as a draftsman, and his capability led to his promotion to assistant engineer, while in 1907 he became city engineer, filling the office until 1908. He had entered upon the private practice of his profession in connection with Loomis E. Chapin in 1901, and this association was maintained for eight years, or until 1909. He again became city engineer on the 15th of May, 1913, and has served continuously to the present time, covering a period of fifteen years. He has directed much important engineering work in Canton. The result of his labors has been far-reaching and beneficial, and he enjoys the highest respect and confidence of his professional associates and contemporaries.

On the 21st of January, 1903, in Canton, Mr. Sarver was united in marriage to Miss Margaret May White, who was born at Mogadore, Summit county, a daughter of Henry C. and Elizabeth (Bennage) White, who were representatives of honored pioneer families of Summit county, dating back through five generations.

Mr. and Mrs. Sarver reside at No. 808 Shorb avenue, northwest, and he finds his greatest happiness at his own fireside in the companionship of his wife and many friends to whom the hospitality of their home is extended. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sarver hold membership in the Trinity Lutheran church and she is identified with the Ladies Aid and Missionary Society. She also belongs to the Canton Women's Club, while Mr. Sarver is identified with the Optimist Club and also with Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E.

His political endorsement is given the democratic party, which he stanchly supports when political principles are involved, but at local elections he does not feel that he must be bound by party ties. He has membership in the Tri-County Engineering Society. His thorough training and broad experience have made him most efficient, and the fact that he has been retained in the office altogether for sixteen years is unmistakable proof of the confidence reposed in him.

ROSCOE M. RICE

Roscoe M. Rice of Canton has achieved a wide reputation as a municipal civil engineer, in which he has shown himself an expert, and has done much important work for various cities and towns of this state. He was born in Canton on the 25th of November, 1884, a son of Martin A. and Minnie (Hook) Rice. His paternal grandparents were Manias and Catherine (Shimp) Rice, both of whom were of German descent and were early settlers in this state. Martin A. Rice was reared and educated in Stark county and learned the trade of a painter, which he followed during the greater part of his active life but is now retired. He is independent in his political views and is a Protestant in his religious faith. His wife was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hook, both of whom were born in Germany and became early settlers of Pennsylvania. To Martin and Minnie Rice were born two children, Roscoe M., of this review; and Karl C., who is deceased.

Roscoe M. Rice attended the public schools of Canton, graduating from the Central high school, and then entered Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Civil Engineer in 1907. Prior to graduation he had been employed by various engineering firms and after leaving college went to work for the American Bridge Company at Ambridge, Pennsylvania, where he remained two years. He was next with the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad, serving as assistant engineer in various departments, and was also, for a period of seven years, valuation engineer for the Pittsburgh, Lisbon & Western Railroad. His next employment was as assistant in the compiling of the Mahoning County Atlas, an engineering work that required sev-

eral years' time. Since 1914 Mr. Rice has been engaged in the private practice of his profession in Canton, meeting with more than ordinary success. As a municipal engineer he has received distinctive recognition and the greater part of his time is taken up by this branch of his profession, making surveys and doing various phases of engineering work as required by cities and towns. In this connection he has been employed by the village of North Canton for the past ten years.

On July 25, 1907, in Canton, Mr. Rice was united in marriage to Miss Grace H. Beard, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of Murry and Lizzie V. (Mountain) Beard, both families being numbered among the early settlers of Canton. To Mr. and Mrs. Rice have been born two children; Roscoe M., II, born November 8, 1920; and James Blair, born January 12, 1925. Mrs. Rice takes an active interest in local civic and church work and is held in high esteem among her associates.

In his political views Mr. Rice maintains an independent attitude, and his religious membership is with the Trinity Reformed church. He is a member of the University Club and is very popular in the circles in which he moves. He is highly regarded for his professional attainments, his integrity of character and his agreeable personality, and is regarded as one of the leaders in his line in Stark county.

NEIL D. SCHWORM

Neil D. Schworm, who holds the responsible position of property manager of the First National Bank building in Canton, is a capable and efficient business man and has gained the confidence and respect of all who know him. He was born in Massillon, Stark county, on the 3d of December, 1891, a son of George Frank and Estella V. (Bammerlin) Schworm, both of whom were of German descent. His paternal grandfather was a native of Germany and on coming to this country settled in Stark county, where he engaged in farming during the remainder of his life. George F. Schworm, who for many years successfully engaged in the retail grocery business, was born in Stark county in 1859, and his death occurred February 21, 1921, at the age of sixty-two years. He

was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church at Massillon. His wife was born in Massillon, of which locality her parents were early settlers, and she is still living in that city. To Mr. and Mrs. Schworm were born four children, namely: Melville F., who lives in Massillon; Arvine, deceased; Neil D., of this review; and Helen E., who is the wife of Herbert H. Lucas and resides in Charleston, West Virginia.

Neil D. Schworm attended the public and high schools of Massillon, after which he took a course in Yocum's Business College. When nineteen years old he accepted a position as stenographer with the Franklin Industrial Company at Warwick, Ohio, and later was with the Russell Company at Massillon for four years. He then went to Cleveland, where he was associated with the John & Manville Company, dealers in asbestos and building material, for about six years. In 1917 Mr. Schworm came to Canton and accepted a position as salesman with the Geiger-Jones Company. He was advanced to the position of general sales manager and continued with that concern until January 1, 1922, when it went out of business. He then came to the First National Bank as superintendent of construction and property manager, and has remained with that institution to the present time. Mr. Schworm is secretary and treasurer of the First National Realty Company and treasurer of the Industries Advancement Corporation.

On September 21, 1915, in Chicago, Illinois, Mr. Schworm was united in marriage to Miss Catherine D. Bauhof, who is a native of Canton and is a daughter of the late Albert Bauhof. To Mr. and Mrs. Schworm have been born four children, namely: Mary Louise, deceased; Neil D., Jr., John Alan and Sally Catherine, who was born October 28, 1926.

During the World war Mr. Schworm endeavored to enlist for military service but was rejected for physical reasons. However, he did his full part as a supporter of all local war measures and was an effective worker in the various Liberty Loan drives. He gives his political support to the republican party at national elections but in local affairs he maintains an independent attitude, voting for the candidates whom he believes to be qualified for the offices they seek. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of McKinley Lodge No. 431, F. & A M.; and also belongs to Massillon Lodge No. 441, B. P. O. E.; the Exchange Club, of which he was president in 1927; the Brookside Country Club,

the Chamber of Commerce and is an associate member of the Canton Real Estate Board. He and his wife are earnest members of the Lutheran church. Mr. Schworm's success is the legitimate result of his persistent and determined efforts, and he has been faithful and efficient in the discharge of every duty devolving upon him, while in the sphere of private citizenship he has stood consistently for everything that is best in the life of the community. Alert and energetic in his business affairs, and a man of cordial and friendly manner, he is greatly esteemed by all who have come in contact with him.

DUEBER SIDNEY CABLE

Dueber S. Cable, who is widely known because of his connection with much work of a public nature through northeastern Ohio, and is a member of the Cable Company, general contractors, is a man of marked business ability and has attained a noteworthy success through his determined and persistent efforts, backed by sound principles. He was born in Canton, Ohio, on the 21st of February, 1888, and is a son of Sidney Belknap and Catherine A. (Van Nostran) Cable. Both of his parents were born at Sandyville, Ohio, the former May 2, 1856, and the latter July 30, 1856. The family came to this state from Maryland, and the paternal grandmother's family name was Muckley, while the maternal grandmother was a Briggles. The Van Nostran family came to this country from Holland many years ago, eventually settling in Tuscarawas county, Ohio.

Dueber S. Cable secured his early education in the Garfield Avenue grade school and graduated from Central high school in 1904. He worked in a grocery store about one year, after which he was in the railway mail service for about three months. He then entered the employ of the George Letherman Grain & Feed Company, for which concern he worked eight and a half years. In 1914 Mr. Cable engaged in taking contracts for sewers, for excavating and paving, in partnership with his brother, A. B. Cable. This proved a successful venture and in 1916 they incorporated their business as the Cable Company, of which Dueber S. Cable is treasurer and general manager. They maintain their offices and



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equipment at 1421 Fifth street southwest, Canton, and are now specializing in excavating, grading and steam shovel work. They have handled many large contracts in their line and have a well established reputation for absolute dependability in everything they undertake. Mr. Cable and his brother are also the owners of the Lake Cable project, just outside of Canton.

On June 7, 1916, in the First Reformed church in Canton, Mr. Cable was united in marriage to Miss Rose Salome Beiter, who was born at Zoar, Ohio, on March 13, 1891, and is a daughter of Edward and Pauline (Bimeler) Beiter, who also were born at Zoar, Ohio. The father died December 13, 1923, and the mother is now living in Canton. They were both of German descent and Mrs. Beiter is a daughter of the last ruler of the community of Zoarites who lived a short distance south of Canton. Mrs. Cable is a Sunday school teacher and is a member of the Caldron, auxiliary to Nazir Grotto. Mr. and Mrs. Cable have two children, namely: Jane, born May 16, 1917, is attending the Summit Street public school and is studying piano, is a splendid swimmer and athlete; and Hobart Sidney, born October 23, 1919, who also attends the Summit Street school. Mr. Cable is a stanch republican in his political views and is a member of Canton Lodge, No. 60, F. & A. M.; Emeth Lodge of Perfection, Mystic Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix, all at Canton, and Lake Erie Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Nazir Grotto, and Canton Lodge, No. 68, B. P. O. E. He also belongs to the Elks Club. His favorite diversion is fishing, and he is also a frequent tourist to Florida, for which state he is enthusiastic. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Reformed church. A man of strong character and pleasing personality, he easily makes friends and throughout the city in which he has spent his life commands uniform confidence and esteem.

AUSTIN BRANT CABLE

Austin B. Cable, president of the Cable Company, one of the best known general contracting firms in northeastern Ohio, has had extensive experience in his line of business and his record has gained for him an enviable standing in the business circles of Can-

ton. He was born in this city on the 15th of September, 1891, and is a son of Sidney B. and Catherine A. (Van Nostran) Cable. The father was born at East Sparta, Ohio, and is now deceased, while the mother was born in Pike township, Stark county, and now resides at 1616 Woodland avenue northwest, Canton. In the maternal line Mr. Cable is of Holland descent, while the Cables came to this state from Maryland.

A. B. Cable received his educational training in the Garfield Avenue public school and the Central high school, after which he worked in a grocery store for a year and a half. He was with the Downs Construction Company as bookkeeper and timekeeper for three years and on the reorganization of that company he became its secretary, in which capacity he served two years. He then went to Buffalo, New York, where he was with the Stabell Construction Company a short time, after which he returned to Canton and formed a partnership with his brother, Dueber S. Cable, under the name of the Cable Company, of which he has since been president and his brother treasurer. They engaged in the general contracting business, though of late years they confine their attention almost exclusively to excavating, grading and steam shovel work. In 1923 he and his brother formed a partnership and took up the development of six hundred and forty acres of land, two hundred and fifty acres of which is water, known as Lake Cable, located about six miles from Canton and the same distance from Massillon, on the old Canal Fulton road, where they maintain a modern bathing beach, capable of accommodating two thousand five hundred people at one time. This is the only restricted bathing beach open to the people of Stark county, and will never be made a general amusement place, as the owners cater to nature and home lovers and sportsmen. With the exception of the bathing beach section, the lake is private and is utilized for the recreation and pleasure of the home owners of Lake Cable.

On April 28, 1920, in the Evangelical church in Canton, Mr. Cable was united in marriage to Miss Edna M. Naragon, who was born at New Cumberland, Carroll county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Curtis and Lena (Lappin) Naragon, both of whom now reside at Lake Cable. Mrs. Cable is a member of the La Porte Ouverte Club. Mr. and Mrs. Cable are the parents of three children, Lester Glenn, Austin Jack and Betty. Mr. Cable is a republican in his political views and is a member of Canton Lodge, B. P. O. E., the

Canton Club and the Rotary Club, and is a member of the Crippled Children committee of the last named. He was one of the organizers and is a director of the Izaak Walton League of Stark County. A man of progressive ideas and enterprising methods, Mr. Cable has won a well deserved success in his material affairs, for which reason, as well as for his excellent personal qualities, he is held in high regard throughout the circle of his acquaintance.

ARTHUR B. DRUKENBROD

Arthur B. Drukenbrod, secretary, treasurer and manager of the Drukenbrod Tailoring Company of Canton, is one of the city's best known business men and, through his earnest and rightly directed efforts, has attained worthy success. He was born in Middlebranch, Stark county, Ohio, on the 14th of May, 1886, and is a son of Ivy B. and Etta M. (Combs) Drukenbrod. His father, who was descended from an old and prominent Pennsylvania family, was also born in Middlebranch, where he was reared and educated, and there engaged in the manufacture of lime for many years. He was an ardent and active republican and was the first republican trustee ever elected in Plain township. He served for fifteen years as superintendent of the Stark county infirmary and later became superintendent of the Fairmount Children's Home, in which position he was serving at the time of his death, at the age of fifty-four years. He was a prominent and influential factor in the civic and political affairs of Stark county and to a marked degree commanded the confidence and respect of his fellowmen. His wife was born in Midway, Stark county, and was a daughter of Joseph Combs, who was of English descent and was a member of one of the old and well known families of this section of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Drukenbrod became the parents of two children, Arthur B., of this review; and Faber J., who is president of the Drukenbrod Tailoring Company.

Arthur B. Drukenbrod secured his educational training in the public schools of Canton, after which he took a commercial course in the Canton Actual Business College. At the age of twenty-one years he took a position with the Curt-Smith Clothing Company as a salesman, and a year later entered the employ of Douglas

the Tailor, with whom he remained for thirteen years, during the last six years of which period he was manager of the business in Canton. In February, 1922, Mr. Drukenbrod engaged in his present business at 414 Tuscarawas street, east, and has built up a large and growing business, built on sound principles and conducted in accordance with the highest commercial ethics, so that he has become firmly established in the confidence of the buying public.

On May 13, 1910, in Canton, Mr. Drukenbrod was united in marriage to Miss Maude Miller, who was born in Greentown, Stark county, and is a daughter of J. H. and Alice (Rhodes) Miller, of a well known pioneer family of that locality. They are the parents of three children, Dorothy, Lois and Arthur, Jr.

Mr. Drukenbrod is an earnest supporter of the republican party and has taken an active interest in public affairs of his city and county. He served as chief deputy sheriff for several years under Sheriff Milo W. Cathon, and from 1923 to 1926 was a city councilman-at-large. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. A man of good business ability, sterling integrity and enterprising methods, he well merits the success which is now his, while throughout the range of his acquaintance he is esteemed and respected for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

WILLIAM L. COPLEY

Though a resident of Stark county but a few years, William L. Copley has gained distinctive recognition in business circles, particularly in the automobile field, in which he is meeting with well merited success. He was born in West Salem, Ohio, on the 11th of May, 1889, a son of David and Mary Jane (Kime) Copley. His paternal grandparents, Jacob and Elizabeth (Bixler) Copley, were born respectively in England and Germany. Jacob Copley followed farming after coming to this country, and his death occurred in West Salem, Ohio. He served in the Union army during the Civil war; gave his political support to the republican party, and he and his wife were members of the Evangelical

Lutheran church. Mrs. Copley died in Barberton, Ohio, at the advanced age of one hundred and two years, in 1908. David Copley, who was born in Boston, Massachusetts, devoted his life to farming and died at Barberton, Ohio, January 4, 1920, at the age of sixty-two years. He was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran church and supported the republican party. His wife, who is still living in Barberton, was born at Lodi, Ohio, and is a daughter of George and Sarah (Repp) Kime, both of whom were born in Maryland and died in Ohio, the father at Lodi and the mother at Barberton. Mr. Kime was a farmer during the active years of his life; voted the republican ticket, and he and his wife belonged to the Evangelical church.

William L. Copley attended the public schools, graduating from the West Salem high school, and then went to work in a rubber factory at Akron. Later he was a utility man with the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company for three years, after which he entered the employ of the Portage Rubber Company at Barberton, where he served for nine years as assistant superintendent in charge of production. From there he went to the New Castle Rubber Company, at New Castle, Pennsylvania, for which he was works manager during 1919-20, and from 1921 to 1924 was general manager for the Zeglin Tire & Rubber Company, in Chicago, Illinois. He then became manager for F. A. Pearson, Ford dealer, with whom he remained until November 25, 1925, when he came to Alliance and organized the Copley Motor Company, Inc., of which he is president and general manager. This proved a successful venture and has enjoyed a steadily increasing business. Mr. Copley is also president of the Alliance Acceptance Corporation, and secretary and treasurer of Prospect Motors, Inc., of Alliance.

In Akron, Ohio, December 24, 1910, Mr. Copley was united in marriage to Miss Nellie R. Orr, who was born in Barberton, November 19, 1889, and is a daughter of Christopher and Elizabeth (Bremen) Orr, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Copley is a graduate of the Barberton high school; belongs to the Christian church and is active in the Order of the Eastern Star and other women's organizations. Mr. and Mrs. Copley have a son, Lloyd D., born October 15, 1911.

Mr. Copley is a member of National Lodge, No. 568, F. & A. M., at Barberton; New Castle Lodge, No. 69, B. P. O. E., at

New Castle, Pennsylvania; the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He gives his political support to the republican party, and his religious connection is with the Reformed church at Barberton. His record has been characterized by loyal and efficient service in every position which he has filled, and since engaging in business for himself he has shown a progressive and enterprising spirit that has brought him an abundant measure of prosperity. Personally, he is a man of cordial and friendly manner, and he has won a high place in the esteem of all who have come in contact with him.

MARION C. GLASS

Marion C. Glass, of Alliance, holds a foremost place among the mason contractors of Stark county and many of the best buildings in this locality present evidences of the high quality of his work. He has been successful in his business affairs and is accounted one of the leading citizens of Alliance.

Mr. Glass was born at East Rochester, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 1st of May, 1878, and is a son of Jacob F. and Mary E. (Jennings) Glass. He is of old Virginia stock, his paternal grandfather, Jacob Glass, having been born in that state, near the Maryland line. He was the son of John Glass, a native of Germany, who on coming to America settled in Virginia and later removed to Ohio, where he obtained the tract of government land near New Chambersburg. The patent for this was made on sheepskin and signed by President Thomas Jefferson. This farm is now owned by Grant Walters, it having been sold by Jacob Glass, the son of John, four years prior to the death of the former, in order to more easily divide his estate before he died. He had retired from active farming but continued to live on his home farm until his death. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the United Brethren church. He married Miss Eliza Consor, who was born near New Alexander, Ohio, and was a daughter of Frederick Consor, a native of Pennsylvania and a pioneer of Ohio.

Jacob F. Glass, son of Jacob and Eliza (Consor) Glass, was born at East Rochester, Ohio, May 18, 1855. For many years

he was a mason contractor but is now retired and lives in New Chambersburg, Ohio. He is a democrat and has been active in local public affairs, having served sixteen consecutive years as township assessor and later four years more in that office. He is a member of the Christian church. Mary E. (Jennings) Glass was born at New Chambersburg, Ohio, September 15, 1857, and is still living there. Her parents were David and Maria (Betz) Jennings, the former of whom was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, and died near East Rochester, this state, at the age of fifty-seven years. He was a shoemaker by occupation and was a veteran of the Civil war, having served three years and ten months in the Union army. He was a strong republican, was well posted in law, and was gifted as a public speaker. He served as constable and tax collector for thirty consecutive years and took a leading part in the affairs of his community. He was a member of the Disciples church. His wife, Maria (Betz) Jennings, was born in West township, Columbiana county, and died in Alliance at the age of eighty-seven years. David Jennings was a son of William Jennings, who was a native of England and died in Maryland. To Jacob F. and Mary E. (Jennings) Glass, were born nine children, namely: Marion C., of this review; Albertis and Orvin R., of Alliance; Harry A., of Canton; Mrs. Burrell Cobbs, of Alliance; Mrs. Myron T. Sanor and Mrs. Charles Heim, of East Rochester; Mrs. V. H. Hahn, of Waynesburg, Ohio, and Mrs. John Brand, deceased.

Marion C. Glass attended the graded schools of West township, Columbiana county, and a select school. At the age of sixteen years he became an apprentice under his father and learned the mason's trade, remaining with his father three years. He then worked as a stone cutter for the Thomas H. Watson Construction Company, with which concern he remained seven years, after which he worked for his father for eight years. For the past twenty-two years Mr. Glass has been contracting on his own account and during the past seventeen years has been located in Alliance. Here he has successfully handled many large contracts, including the masonry work on the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity house at Mount Union College, the Bert Sebring and A. L. Atkinson residences and the furniture store of J. H. Sharer & Sons Company. As he has prospered he has wisely invested in real estate and is the owner of a fine farm fourteen miles south of

Alliance, which he is stocking for dairy purposes, now having seven head of pure Guernsey cattle and three Jerseys.

The republican party has always received Mr. Glass's support and he has been active in public affairs, having served twelve years in Columbiana county as a member of the republican central committee and also four years as trustee of West township. He is a member of J. E. McFadden Lodge, No. 697, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter, No. 83, R. A. M.; the Grotto at Canton; and the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks at Alliance. He belongs to the Alliance Chamber of Commerce and the United States Chamber of Commerce, and his religious connection is with the First Christian church at New Alexander. Persistent industry, sound judgment and right principles have been the keynote to his success, and no resident of Alliance is held in higher esteem throughout the community than he.

JOHN A. MORRISON

John A. Morrison, vice president and general manager of the Morrison Jack Company of Alliance, has been active in business affairs in this city for the past thirteen years and stands high in public esteem. In his present enterprise he is exploiting one of his own inventions, a contrivance of unquestioned value, and in the handling of which he is meeting with very satisfactory success.

Mr. Morrison was born in Crawford county, Ohio, on the 6th of April, 1876, a son of George B. and Mary Elizabeth (Beck) Morrison. His father was born in West Virginia in 1838, and when two years of age was brought by his parents to Crawford county, Ohio. He followed farming during his active years, and his death occurred in Shelby, Ohio, in 1901. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the Union army as a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and when the war closed he was a prisoner in Andersonville prison. He was a republican in his political views and was an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church. His father, John Morrison, was also a farmer and died at North Robinson, Crawford county, Ohio. He too belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church and supported the republican party. It is said that his

father and President McKinley's grandfather were neighbors in Scotland. His wife was a native and lifelong resident of Crawford county. Mary Elizabeth (Beck) Morrison was born in Crawford county, Ohio, in June, 1841, and is now making her home with a daughter in Upper Sandusky, this state. She is a daughter of Isaac and Catherine (Henry) Beck, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania and died in Crawford county, Ohio, being buried at Galion. Mr. Beck was a farmer, voted the republican ticket, and he and his wife were Lutherans.

John A. Morrison attended the public schools of Crawford county and remained on the home farm for a few years, after which he went to Galion and learned the blacksmith trade, which line of work he followed for eighteen years. Going to Mansfield, he established a livery stable, bought and sold horses, and ran a dray line. Later he became an auctioneer there and sold thousands of horses. He remained in Mansfield for twenty years, meeting with a very fair measure of success, but, desiring a larger field of operations, in 1915 he came to Alliance and established the first public market, it being located where the Arcade now stands. In 1918 he erected the Morrison Theater building, which he still owns, and subsequently he organized the Morrison Jack Company and engaged in the manufacture of an electric lifting jack for automobile trucks. He invented and patented this tool, which is the only electric jack in the world, and it has been well received by the trade, its sales steadily increasing each year. His company also took over the Woods Engineering Company, of Alliance. The officers of the Morrison Jack Company are F. A. Hailes, president; John A. Morrison vice president and general manager; S. L. Geiger, secretary; and C. E. Hobson, treasurer.

On December 4, 1926, in Canton, Ohio, Mr. Morrison was united in marriage to Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Scott) McCoy, of Alliance, widow of the late Roy McCoy and a daughter of John B. Rebekah (Hoiles) Scott, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Morrison is a graduate of the Alliance high school and Mount Union College, and is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Daughters of Rebekah. By her first husband she became the mother of five children, namely: Robert Scott, born May 14, 1907, who is connected with the Morrison Theater; Jean Rebecca, born July 31, 1910, a student in high school; Martha Elizabeth (Bettie), born January 30, 1912, also in high school; Roy James, born November

1, 1915; and John Charles, born January 28, 1917. By a former marriage Mr. Morrison is the father of four children. Irene, born January 8, 1899, is a graduate of the Alliance high school. She is the wife of Fremont Jones, a traffic manager in Akron, and they have two children, Patricia, aged four years, and Richard, aged three years. Hugh, born April 8, 1901, is a graduate of the Mansfield high school and is now in the cost department and assistant sales manager of the Morrison Jack Company. He married Miss Elizabeth Bell, of Mansfield. Phyllis, born November 27, 1902, was graduated from the Mansfield high school and became the wife of Howard Oaster, of Mansfield, who is in charge of the electrical furnace department of a large firm in Chicago, the largest of the kind in this country. He has been active in Young Men's Christian Association work and at Mansfield served as high school coach and umpired practically at all of the basketball games. Robert William, the youngest, was born July 31, 1916.

The republican party has always received Mr. Morrison's support and he is a member of Mansfield lodge No. 350, F. & A. M.; Alliance Lodge No. 467, B. P. O. E.; the United Commercial Travelers; the Cleveland section of the Society of Automobile Engineers; and the Alliance Automobile Club. He gives his close attention to the promotion of his business interests, in connection with which he drives on an average about fifty thousand miles a year. He is a man of great energy; is methodical in his habits; exercises sound judgment in all of his affairs, and all who know him regard him as one of the solid and dependable business men of Alliance.

RICHARD D. WERNET

Among the successful printing concerns of Canton, the Commercial Press, of which Richard D. Wernet is president, has earned a wide reputation for the uniformly excellent quality of its work and enjoys a large and growing patronage. Mr. Wernet was born in Canton on the 7th of April, 1891, a son of Otto J. and Cecilia (Wackerly) Wernet. His paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Wernet, were natives of Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, whence they migrated to the United States, coming direct to Stark

county, Ohio. Here John B. Wernet engaged in the grocery business, but later turned his attention to farming, which he followed until his retirement, sometime prior to his death.

Otto J. Wernet was reared and educated in Canton and during his early life was associated with his father in business, but after his marriage he devoted his efforts to farming and stock raising in this county, in which business he was successful. He died March 8, 1927, in Canton, at the age of seventy-two years. His wife, who was a daughter of Joseph Wackerly, was born December 17, 1858, and died December 18, 1926. To them were born thirteen children, five sons and eight daughters, of whom twelve are living. Four of the daughters have taken religious vows, three of them residing in Cleveland and one in Youngstown, and two of the brothers are priests of the Roman Catholic church.

Richard D. Wernet, who is the sixth in order of birth of these children, received his education in St. John's parochial school and when fourteen years of age went to work as an office boy for the Canton Bridge Company, at a salary of twenty dollars a month. He remained with that concern for two years, after which, for five years, he was connected with the water works department of the city of Canton. In January, 1924, he established the Commercial Press, of which he is president, and is engaged in a general printing business. He has met with a very gratifying measure of success, having built up a fine business, based on good work and right business methods.

On May 5, 1920, in Massillon, Ohio, Mr. Wernet was united in marriage to Miss Oliva Warth, who was born and reared in that city and is a daughter of Charles and Mary (Sonnhalter) Warth. They have become the parents of five children, as follows: Dorothy Ruth, born February 14, 1921; Charles, born June 5, 1922; Betty, born December 23, 1923; John Edward, born September 20, 1925, and Mary Cecilia, born February 3, 1927.

The democratic party receives Mr. Wernet's political support and he is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Floyd Hughes Post, No. 693, V. F. W. He and his wife are members of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church at Massillon. Mr. Wernet is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in Battery B, Three Hundred and Twenty-fourth field Artillery. He served twelve months with the Allied forces in France, during six months of which period he was with the combat troops, participating in the

Meuse-Argonne offensive and other engagements, and after the armistice he was for six months with the army of occupation, being stationed at Klemmachide, Germany. He was honorably discharged from the service in June, 1919. He is a progressive and wide-awake business man, conducting his affairs in accordance with the highest commercial ethics and commanding to a notable degree the respect and confidence of all who have had dealings with him, while socially he is greatly esteemed by his fellowmen.

ALBERT E. BRADSHAW

One of Stark county's leading business concerns is the Bradshaw Printing Company, of Alliance, of which Albert E. Bradshaw is president and manager, and which over a period of fourteen years has steadily grown in public favor and has built up a large and prosperous business.

Mr. Bradshaw was born near Patmos, Mahoning county, Ohio, on the 29th of May, 1877, and is a son of Lewis C. and Elizabeth A. (Barber) Bradshaw. His paternal grandparents were William A. and Jane E. (Shinn) Bradshaw, both of whom were natives of Mahoning county and are deceased, the father dying at the old homestead in that county and the mother near Berlin Center, this state. William A. Bradshaw was long engaged in a mercantile business at Patmos; was a Quaker in his religious affiliation and an active republican in politics, having held a number of local offices.

Lewis C. Bradshaw was born near Patmos, November 8, 1853, and died in Cleveland, Ohio, November 26, 1907. In early life he lived in Kansas and later was engaged in the feed business in Alliance, but subsequently turned his attention to carpentering and building, in which he was successful. He supported the republican party and was a member of the Church of God. His wife was born near Salem, Ohio, April 5, 1856, and died in Canton, November 29, 1923. She was a daughter of John and Nancy (Venable) Barber, the former of whom was a native and lifelong resident of Salem, where he was for many years in the apple business. In politics he was a stanch prohibitionist, and his religious membership was



THE BRADSHAW FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Bradshaw, Mrs. Alberta G. Schaefer, Lewis, Martha, Albert, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Bradshaw, Florence, Fred M. Schaefer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Bradshaw, William F.

with the Church of God. His wife was born near Salem and died in that city.

Albert E. Bradshaw attended the public schools of Alliance and learned the printing trade in the offices of Scranton & Hoiles and the R. M. Scranton Printing Company, with which concern he was connected for twenty-two years. In 1914 he embarked in the printing business on his own account in partnership with his brother Marion J. and later with his brother John and his son Fred L. and John A. Bradshaw. An expert printer and able business man, he realized a very gratifying success and on April 1, 1928, the business was incorporated as the Bradshaw Printing Company, of which Albert E. Bradshaw is president and manager; Marion J. Bradshaw, vice president; Fred L. Bradshaw, treasurer; and John A. Bradshaw, secretary. They have a well equipped office and are fully prepared to do all kinds of commercial, factory and school printing, in which they have gained high prestige, for their products are of a quality that have commended them to discriminating buyers of printed matter. They specialize in school annual work, furnishing annuals for many schools in this and other states. Mr. Bradshaw has given his close and painstaking attention to the operation of the plant, in the management of which he has shown sound and practical judgment, and his present prosperity is the legitimate result of his earnest endeavor along right lines. As workman and manager for his former employers and as employer he has always conducted the printing business on an open shop basis. Believing in a square deal for employe and employer alike, he has never had any labor troubles.

In Alliance, May 31, 1898, Mr. Bradshaw was united in marriage to Miss Daisy Grace Horton, who was born in Canton, March 22, 1879, a daughter of Benjamin and Charity (Bryan) Horton. Her father was born in New York state and died in Atwater, Ohio, in 1881. He was a stationary engineer by vocation and was a veteran of the Civil war, serving in the Union army. His wife was born in Deerfield, Ohio, and died in Alliance in 1911. She was a cousin of the late William Jennings Bryan. Mrs. Bradshaw was educated in the public schools of Atwater, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw are the parents of nine children, as follows: Fremont W., born September 22, 1899, while senior in the Alliance high school went to France as a member of Company L, One Hundred and Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, and was

killed in action July 30, 1918. Alberta G., born May 31, 1901, is a registered nurse and is the wife of Fred Schaeffer, to which union has been born a son, Fred Jr. Fred L. Bradshaw, who was born May 19, 1903, and is treasurer of the Bradshaw Printing Company, married Miss Gladys Barclay, of Sebring, Ohio. John A., who was born May 11, 1907, and is secretary of the Bradshaw Printing Company, married Miss Huldah Lee, of Alliance. Martha E., born September 19, 1908, is the next of the family. Lewis C., born October 11, 1910, was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1928. Albert E., Jr., born July 22, 1914; Florence E., born August 18, 1917, and William Fremont, born June 15, 1922, complete the family. Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary May 31, 1928.

Mr. Bradshaw is an independent republican in politics. He and his wife are charter members of the First Friends church of Alliance, and he is superintendent of the Sunday school. He has been a director of the Young Men's Christian Association since its founding in Alliance; is interested in athletics; and is a member of the advisory board of the Salvation Army. The family spends the summer months at their camp on Deer creek, west of Limaville.

CURTIS G. HAHN

Curtis G. Hahn, president of the Hahn Heating & Plumbing Company, is one of Canton's leading business men and sustains a well merited reputation for sound judgment, enterprising methods and sterling character, elements which will contribute to success in any undertaking. He was born in North Georgetown, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 15th of June, 1872, and is a son of Joseph L. and Rebecca (Haas) Hahn, whose ancestors were originally from Wurtemberg, Germany. Both of his grandmothers were descendants of old southern families. The paternal grandfather, William Hahn, came to the United States in 1790 and settled first in Maryland, where he lived until 1804, when he migrated to Columbiana county, Ohio, where he took up a grant of fourteen sections of land in Knox township, the patent to which was signed by President Thomas Jefferson. This land remained in the Hahn family until 1880. Joseph L. Hahn, who was born in

North Georgetown, Columbiana county, attended the public schools of that place and was graduated from Mount Union College at Alliance. He was reared to the occupation of farming, which he followed successfully, also giving considerable attention to stock raising. He was a stanch democrat in his political views and was prominent in local public affairs, having served as trustee and as treasurer of Knox township. He was a member of the Dunkard church. His death occurred March 13, 1912, when he was seventy-five years of age. Rebecca (Haas) Hahn was born near Poland, Mahoning county, Ohio, and was a daughter of Nathan and Mary Haas, who were pioneer settlers of that county, to which locality came her paternal grandfather from Wurtemberg, Germany, in the latter part of the eighteenth century. He always followed farming. Mrs. Hahn was one of a family of fifteen children; all of whom grew to maturity, and her death occurred in Columbiana county at the age of sixty-six years. To Joseph L. and Rebecca Hahn were born six children, five sons and a daughter, namely: Rev. Mathias, who was graduated from Mount Union College in 1893 and now resides in Wilmington, Delaware; Joan, who is the wife of E. G. Saffell and lives on the old homestead in Columbiana county; Curtis G., of this review; Thurman, a resident of Cleveland, Ohio; Owen C., who has for thirty-three years been a teacher in the public schools of Alliance; and Frank, deceased.

Curtis G. Hahn attended the public schools in Columbiana county and his early life to the age of seventeen years was spent on the home farm. He then engaged in a mercantile business at Beloit, Ohio, for five years, after which he moved to Canton. For three years he was employed in the sales department of the Canton Hardware Company, and in 1899 he accepted a position as bookkeeper for L. B. Hartung. Two years later he became secretary and treasurer of the L. B. Hartung Company, in which capacity he continued until 1906, when he sold his interest in that concern and became connected with the Novelty Iron Company of Canton, manufacturers of boilers and radiators for heating purposes. He was with that firm two years and during the following year was with the Eller Manufacturing Company, makers of sheet metal products. He next became treasurer of the Canton Boiler & Engineering Company, remaining with that concern until 1908, and in the following year he became associated with the

Carrollton Novelty Company of Carrollton, Ohio, makers of mechanical and metal toys. While there he produced the first miniature toy engine, stamped from metal, but this venture, though a practical one, did not prove profitable and through it Mr. Hahn lost considerable money. In 1914 he joined the Young Heating & Plumbing Company, of which he was secretary and treasurer, and in 1916 he became the president of the company. On the reorganization of the business in 1922 the name of the concern was changed to its present style, the Hahn Heating & Plumbing Company, of which he has been president continuously since. He is also president of the Seran Building Corporation of Canton. The Hahn Heating & Plumbing Company, which is located at 400 Fourth street northwest, is one of the strongest and most reliable concerns in its line in Stark county and has built up a large and prosperous business, due to the wise and judicious management of its president.

On March 27, 1895, in Canton, Mr. Hahn was united in marriage to Miss Clara S. Summers, who was born in Mahoning county, near Alliance, and is a daughter of Levi and Celestia (Stauffer) Summers, an old and well known family of that locality. To Mr. and Mrs. Hahn have been born two sons, LeRoy and Lester, twins. Both are veterans of the World war, having enlisted in the One Hundred and Forty-fifth Ambulance Company, Thirty-seventh Regiment, and they served overseas for nine months. They took part in the battles of Chateau Thierry and Ghent, Belgium, serving continuously until the day before the signing of the Armistice. They were honorably discharged April 17, 1919, and are now members of the American Legion, LeRoy belonging to Canton Post and Lester to Hartville Post.

Mr. Hahn is a staunch democrat in politics and has always been actively identified with matters affecting the public welfare. During the World war he took part in the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and supported every local war measure. He is a member of McKinley Lodge, No. 436, F. & A. M., and belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Canton Master Plumbers Association, the Ohio State Master Plumbers Association and the National Master Plumbers Association. He and his wife are active members of the Calvary Presbyterian church, of which he is treasurer. He is a great lover of horses and greatly enjoys racing in all of its forms. A man of strong character

and pleasing personality, he has a wide acquaintance and no resident of this city is held in higher regard as business man and citizen.

GEORGE B. HARLAN

George B. Harlan, secretary and treasurer of the Berger Manufacturing Company at Canton, is regarded as one of the leading business men of his community, being an expert in financial affairs, and all who have been associated with him hold him in high regard. He was born in Germantown, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the 27th of March, 1883, a son of Benjamin D. and Margaret (Bond) Harlan. His father was born in 1845 in Harlan county, Kentucky, which county was named in honor of one of his ancestors. The family, which is of English origin, was established in this country in a very early day and was numbered among the old pioneer families of the Blue Grass state. Benjamin D. Harlan was reared and acquired his early education in Harlan county, completing his studies in Lebanon College, at Lebanon, Ohio, and his entire active life was devoted to educational pursuits. For thirty-one years he was at the head of the mathematics department of the Steele high school in Dayton, this state. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served during the later years of that struggle in an Ohio regiment. He was a democrat in his political alignment and was a member of the Presbyterian church. He died at Dayton, Ohio, May 15, 1923, at the age of seventy-eight years. His wife was born in Clinton county, Ohio, September 9, 1854, and was a daughter of John Edward Bond, who came from Maryland and took up a tract of government land in Clinton county. His wife, whose family name was Custis, is of English descent, and she is now living in Middletown, Ohio. To Mr. and Mrs. Harlan were born five children, of whom three are living, namely: George B., of this review; Margaret E., the wife of Edward F. Shively, of Middletown, Ohio; and Byron B., who is a practicing attorney in Dayton.

George B. Harlan attended the public and high schools of Dayton, for two years attended the Ohio State University, and then entered Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York,

from which he was graduated in 1900. He then entered the City National Bank of Dayton, with which he was connected for ten years, rising to the positions of paying teller and assistant cashier, and then went to Dallas, Texas, where for two years he was engaged in public accounting in association with Ernst & Ernst. From there he was sent to Cleveland, Ohio, where he had charge of the office of Ernst & Ernst, public accountants. Afterward he accepted the position as comptroller for the United Alloy Steel Corporation, remaining with that concern until January 1, 1927, when he became secretary and treasurer of the Berger Manufacturing Company, which position he is still filling.

On December 12, 1909, in Dayton, Ohio, Mr. Harlan was united in marriage to Miss Althea Smith, who was born in Alcony, Ohio, a daughter of J. M. and Alice Smith. Mrs. Harlan is a member of the Open-Door Club and takes an active part in the work of the Parent-Teacher Association and of her church. Mr. and Mrs. Harlan have one daughter, Carolyn Louise, who was born at Quincy, Florida, November 26, 1917.

The republican party receives Mr. Harlan's support, and he is a member of Washington Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., at Quincy, Florida, the second oldest Masonic lodge in the United States. He belongs to the Canton Club, the Rotary Club and the Shady Hollow Country Club, and he and his wife are earnest members of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Harlan has earned the reputation of being thorough and dependable in whatever he undertakes and to marked degree he commands the confidence of all who have been in any way associated with him. His career has been characterized by consistent and upright conduct, he has been loyal to his ideals and is well worthy of the high place which he holds in public esteem.

ARCHIE B. BAKER

Archie B. Baker, of the firm of Baker & Seacrist, public accountants of Canton, has gained a very complimentary recognition of his ability in his special line of work, having built up a very satisfactory clientele, and is regarded as an exceptionally good accountant. Mr. Baker was born in Navarre, Stark county, on the

6th of July, 1897, and is a son of Philip Henry and Rachel (Ritter) Baker, the former of whom was born at Bolivar, Ohio, and the latter at Richville, Ohio, both being of Pennsylvania German descent.

Mr. Baker secured his grammar school education in Waynesburg, Ohio, and during the winter of 1915-16 he attended night school at the Canton Young Men's Christian Association, completing the Paul Joseph Esquerre course of Hyde's theory of accounts. He entered the Canton Actual Business College in 1915, completing the course in bookkeeping in the following year. From 1923 to 1926 Mr. Baker did night work at the McKinley high school under the instruction of H. T. O. Blue and completed his English course, for which he received twelve credits, and had sixteen credits altogether before his graduation in 1926. On April 22, 1925, he received his diploma from the Pace & Pace Institute of New York city.

In 1916 Mr. Baker took charge of the cost department of the Knight Tire & Rubber Company of Canton, holding that position until May, 1917, on the 13th of which month he enlisted at Canton in the One Hundred Forty-fifth Ambulance Company, One Hundred and Twelfth Sanitary Train, Thirty-seventh Division. He was in training at Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Alabama, from October, 1917, to June 12, 1918, when he was ordered overseas and landed at Glasgow, Scotland, whence he proceeded to Southampton, England, and across the channel to Cherbourg, where he arrived in July. He was sent to the Baccarat sector, where he received his first baptism of fire. From there he went to the Argonne forest, then to the Saint Mihiel sector, and from there to Ypres. He was at Dune twice and was at Escault when the Armistice was signed. A month later he reached Brest and in March, 1919, sailed for home. He went first to Camp Mills, and then to Camp Sherman, where he was honorably discharged April 12, 1919.

On June 1, 1919, Mr. Baker went to work for the United Electric Company, with which concern he remained until April 1, 1920, when he became connected with John E. O. Feller, public accountant, with whom he remained until June, 1925, after which he was with C. D. Rausch, public accountant, at Akron, until November 15, 1926, when the partnership of Baker & Seacrist was formed and they established offices at 716 Brant building, Canton.

On May 8, 1919, in Canton, Mr. Baker was united in marriage

to Miss Dorothy I. Piero, who was born in Canton, April 24, 1898, a daughter of Alfred C. and Mary E. (Snyder) Piero, the former of whom is of French descent. Mrs. Baker is a member of the Daughters of America. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have one son, Dean Carl, born April 12, 1927.

Mr. Baker gives his political support to the democratic party and is a member of Lily Lodge, K. P., at Canton, and the American Legion. He and his wife are members of the Congregational church and stand consistently for all that is best and most uplifting in life. Mr. Baker is a director in L. V. Cartwright, Inc. He has proven a loyal citizen; has been true to his ideals, and his record has gained for him a high place in the estimation of all who know him.

SANFORD A. WHITMIRE

Sanford A. Whitmire holds a leading place among the building contractors of Canton, where he has done a large amount of construction work, and his thorough workmanship and painstaking methods have gained for him an excellent reputation in business circles of his community.

Mr. Whitmire was born near Navarre, Ohio, on the 9th of February, 1878, a son of Abram and Mary Ellen (Snively) Whitmire, the former of whom now resides at Bolivar road, Canton township, Stark county. Mr. Whitmire is descended from sterling old Pennsylvania German stock, his paternal grandfather having come from Pennsylvania to Ohio in an early day and settled on a farm in Bethlehem township, Stark county, while his maternal grandfather settled in Canton township, where he too followed agricultural pursuits.

Sanford A. Whitmire attended the country school at Bartoes, Bethlehem township, up to the eighth grade, after which he took the Boxwell examination and attended the normal school at Navarre. He then came to Canton and served an apprenticeship of six years with James Bernheimer, a general building contractor. Mr. Whitmire acted as foreman for John Hines for one year, and has since engaged in the general building and contracting business on his own account.

On May 10, 1900, at the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church in Canton, Rev. Church performed the ceremony which united Mr. Whitmire and Miss Martha Ella Kemery. She was born January 3, 1879, in Pike township, Stark county, and is a daughter of Aaron and Jemima (Buchtel) Kemery, the former of whom died January 1, 1927. Her Grandfather Kemery was a Pennsylvania German, who settled in Pike township, Stark county, in an early day. Mr. and Mrs. Whitmire are the parents of two sons, George E., born May 21, 1902; and John A., born May 6, 1904.

In his political views Mr. Whitmire is a staunch democrat and has long been active in local public affairs, and from 1907 to 1913 was a member of the Canton city council, in which he served on several important committees. He is a director of the Cable Lake Company and is president of the Builders Exchange. His fraternal relations are with Canton Lodge No. 60, F. & A. M.; Canton Lodge No. 141, F. O. E., and Canton Lodge, F. O. O. He belongs to the Lake Cable Recreation Association, and he and his wife are members of the United Brethren church, in the work of which they are deeply interested. Mr. Whitmire is a man of splendid personal qualities, kindly and generous in disposition and friendly in manner, and throughout the range of his acquaintance he is held in high regard.

LEWIS S. MOTZ

Lewis S. Motz has for over a quarter of a century been actively engaged in the sheet metal and roofing business in Canton, and has built up a large patronage. He was born in a log house at Greensburg, Summit county, Ohio, on the 7th of May, 1877, and is a son of Absalom and Melissa (Cook) Motz, the former a native of Snyder county, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Akron, Ohio, both being of German descent. His grandfather Cook left Germany in order to get away from the Kaiser and war.

Lewis S. Motz was reared in Greensburg and attended the grammar schools. In September, 1893, he came to Canton and worked for the J. H. Eller Company in sheet metal work, remaining with that concern until 1899, when he entered the employ of the Kanneburg Roofing Company. In 1901 he started into business

for himself as a tinner and spouter and met with such encouraging success that he has continued in business to the present time. He is located at 1728 Navarre road southwest, where he has a splendid plant and store, doing all kinds of sheet metal work, including spouting and tinning. He also handles and repairs furnaces and sells a general line of hardware and paints. He has shown good judgment in all of his affairs, has taken pride in the high quality of his work and many of his best customers have patronized him for years.

On May 12, 1896, Mr. Motz was united in marriage to Miss Sadie Thomas, and to them were born two children, Marie M. and George Thomas, the last named being associated with his father in business.

Mr. Motz gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of Stark Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Lily Lodge, K. P. He derives great pleasure in the operation of the farm which he owns just east of Canton. He has led a busy and useful life and has lived up to his responsibilities of citizenship.

C. K. MYERS

C. K. Myers, who has long been prominently identified with the operation of the Fulton Pit Car Company at Canal Fulton, is a man of marked business ability and all who have been associated with him hold his judgment and opinions in practical matters very highly. Mr. Myers was born in Canal Fulton on the 19th of April, 1878, and is a son of William N. and Mary Jane (Kirk) Myers, the former of whom was a son of William G. Myers, who was numbered among the pioneer settlers of Stark county. C. K. Myers attended the public schools, graduating from the Canal Fulton high school, and for three years was employed as a hardware salesman. He then joined the Fulton Pit Car Company, one of the most important manufacturing concerns of this county.

In October, 1902, Mr. Myers was united in marriage to Miss A. M. Kelly, of Canal Fulton. He gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a good citizen's interest in everything pertaining to the advancement of his community. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity and its different bodies, and his religious

connection is with the Presbyterian church, to which he gives generous support. A man of alert mentality, keen discrimination and industrious habits, he has been deservedly successful in his affairs and is numbered among the best citizens of Canal Fulton, where he commands the sincere respect and confidence of his fellowmen.

JOSEPH C. KLINGLER

Joseph C. Klingler is president of the Alliance Coal & Ice Company, which under his judicious management has developed into an important and prosperous enterprise. He was born in Alliance on the 6th of October, 1866, a son of Henry and Catherine (Yoder) Klingler. The father was born in Germany in 1840 and died in Alliance, May 11, 1879. He learned the brewery business, becoming a brewery master, in his native country, and ran a brewery for a number of years in Alliance. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the Union army; gave his political support to the democratic party, and was a member of the German Reformed Lutheran church. His wife was born in Indiana, December 1, 1855, and died in Alliance in April, 1919. She was a daughter of Joseph and Leah (Rich) Yoder, the former of whom was a native of France and fought in the French army. After coming to the United States he followed farming up to the time of his death, which occurred in Maximo, Ohio. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the Dunkard church. His wife, who also died in Maximo, was a native of this state.

Joseph C. Klingler attended the district schools and completed his education in the public schools of Alliance. From his fifteenth to his twenty-second years he worked on his father's farm, and then, coming to Alliance, engaged in the teaming business for about four years. He next opened a saloon in Alliance, which he conducted until 1907, when he, in association with others, built a brewery, which was operated under the name of the Alliance Brewery Company, of which he was president. This proved a successful venture and was continued until the passage of the national prohibition law in 1918, when Mr. Klingler turned his attention to other business, organizing the Alliance Ice & Coal Company, of

which he is president. He has prospered and is now the owner of several good farms near Alliance, on which he carries on general farming.

On March 19, 1889, Mr. Klingler married Miss Florence Baxter, who was born in 1872 and died in Cleveland, Ohio, March 29, 1896. She was a daughter of the late Milton Baxter, a well known horse dealer of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was educated in the public schools of New Brighton, Pennsylvania, and was a member of the Presbyterian church. On June 29, 1890, their son Carl was born in Alliance and he was educated in the public schools of this city. During the World war he was in training at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and is now associated with the Cleveland Electric Railway Company. He was married to Miss Blanche Giliard, of Alliance, and they became the parents of a daughter, Katherine, born June 8, 1911, who now makes her home with her grandfather, Mr. Klingler, and is a senior in the Alliance high school.

Mr. Klingler has always given his political support to the democratic party, and is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His religious connection is with the First Reformed church of Alliance. He is a lover of outdoor sports, his favorite diversions being fishing and attending horse races. He is a man of genial manner, is widely known throughout this section of Stark county, and is an extremely popular member of the circles in which he moves.

SAMUEL E. ROUSH

Samuel E. Roush has gained an enviable reputation as one of the able and progressive business men of Stark county, having attained a noteworthy success as a contractor and builder of fine homes and apartment houses, and he is also well known as an architect, landscape artist, land appraiser and certified public accountant.

Mr. Roush was born in Sugar Creek township, this county, on the 18th of March, 1881, and is a son of Samuel and Caroline



SAMUEL E. ROUSH

(Ziegler) Roush. His paternal great-grandfather, who was the progenitor of the family in this country, is reputed to have been a Hessian soldier, who came to America in the employ of the British government during the Revolutionary war, but, after arriving here and realizing the true state of affairs, he deserted the British cause and aligned himself with the colonists, with whom he fought until the close of the war. On its conclusion he settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, where he took up a tract of government land, on which he engaged in farming. He died in that state, but all of his seven sons came to Ohio, one of these being Andrew Roush, our subject's grandfather, who settled in Sugar Creek township, Tuscarawas county. After establishing his title to land there, he settled in Sugar Creek township, Stark county, where he spent the remainder of his life. The patent to the land which he took up here in 1802 was signed by President Jefferson and the farm still remains in the family. He resided on the home farm until called to his final rest, devoting his life to farming, and he was of great value in the pioneer development of this section of the state. He was a devout Christian and a man of high character.

Samuel Roush was born in Sugar Creek township, Stark county, in 1842, and was educated in the country schools of that locality. He also followed agricultural pursuits for many years, but is now retired at the age of eighty-five years, though still living on the old homestead of his father. In politics he has always been affiliated with the democratic party and religiously has long been a member of the Evangelical Reformed church, in the work of which he has been extremely active, devoting his time and means to the advancement of the cause of religion and the promotion of the moral interests of his community. Caroline (Ziegler) Roush was born in Baden Baden, Germany, from which country she accompanied her parents to the United States in 1854, the family settling on a farm at Navarre, Stark county, Ohio. Her father, who was a stone mason by trade, built some of the fine old stone houses in and around Navarre. In the little country school near her home she completed her education, and there she was later married to Samuel Roush. To them were born eight children, three sons and five daughters, of whom one son and two daughters are deceased. The mother passed away November 10, 1903, at the age of sixty-one years, respected and beloved by all who knew her.

Samuel E. Roush, who is next to the youngest child in this

family, remained on the home farm, assisting his father until his twenty-first year. He attended the country schools of Sugar Creek township and took a commercial course in the Massillon Business College. Thus equipped, he started out to earn his own livelihood, his first position being as a bookkeeper in a mercantile establishment in Massillon. Later he became bookkeeper for the Massillon Stone & Firebrick Company, which position he left in order to become associated with the J. C. Carland Construction Company, where he gained considerable knowledge of the line of business to which he has devoted his chief attention since. In 1903 Mr. Roush became assistant cashier of the Magnolia Bank, at Magnolia, Ohio, where he remained for three years, resigning to accept the position of corporation accountant for the Metropolitan Construction Company of Canton. After one year's service, he was transferred to the Jersey Paving Corporation, a subsidiary of the Metropolitan company, in Newark, New Jersey. In the following year, 1909, he was made secretary and treasurer of the company, with which he remained for three years longer, and then began contracting in New Jersey, remaining there until October, 1918, when he came to Massillon and entered his present business, in which he has attained a worthy success. He has specialized in the construction of high class residences and apartment buildings, many of which he has erected here and elsewhere in this section of the state, and which bear evidence of his painstaking and thorough methods and his excellent taste and originality of design, for he is an accomplished architect and does much of his own planning and designing. He is highly proficient in the art of landscaping, in which he has done much effective work, and in addition to this he has done a large business in development work, appraising of lands and properties, insurance, expert accounting and brokerage. Highland Park, Highland Farms and Forest Park have been developed entirely through his activities and are among the choice residential sections of this part of the state. During the World war Mr. Roush was assistant comptroller for the International Arms & Fuse Company, at East Orange, New Jersey, serving in that capacity until the close of the war.

On October 18, 1905, Mr. Roush was united in marriage to Miss Mary Emma Stahl, a native of Stark county and a daughter of Andrew and Louisa Stahl, both of whom were members of old and prominent Stark county families. Her paternal grandfather

was one of three brothers who became pioneer settlers at Navarre, and all of whom were engaged in the hotel business in early days. Andrew Stahl was a prosperous farmer and was widely and favorably known in this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Roush have been born four children, namely: Andrew S., who is a student in the University of Cincinnati; Walter E., a student in the Case School of Applied Science, at Cleveland; Milton S., attending the Massillon high school; and Caroline Margaret.

Mr. Roush has a modern and attractive residence on Wales road, Highland Park, surrounded by a large acreage, and it is one of the most complete homes in all of its appointments in this section of the state. Politically he maintains an independent attitude, voting according to the dictates of his judgment as to men and measures. He is a member of the German Reformed church at Massillon. A man of sterling character and upright life, he commands the uniform respect of his fellowmen, while in business circles he is accorded the highest confidence and esteem as a man of ability, progressive ideas and up-to-date methods.

WALTER B. MILLER

Walter B. Miller, of the firm of Miller & Orin, Canton, has had extensive experience in the automobile business and in the establishing of his present garage he was actuated by a desire to cater to those who are willing to pay a little more for the assurance that they are receiving absolutely the best possible service. In this, his judgment has been abundantly vindicated in the splendid patronage which he has gained and the good will which follows all his business contacts with the public.

Mr. Miller was born in Canton, Ohio, on the 18th of January, 1891, and is a son of Samuel J. and Clara E. (Lothamer) Miller, also natives of this city. He is of French descent, his paternal great-grandfather having come from France to the United States in the early part of the nineteenth century. He was the father of John Miller, who was about three years of age when in the early '40s, the family came to Stark county and settled on the banks of Samuel J. Miller.

Walter B. Miller pursued his education in the West North street public school and later attended night school for three years. Nimishillen creek, near Canton. John Miller was the father of He then learned the motor engineering business, in which he became an expert, and in 1911 he became service manager for the Canton Motor Car Company, with which concern he remained until 1923. During the following four years he was employed as field service man for the Willys-Overland Company, and in 1927 he and R. J. Orin embarked in their present business, establishing a sales agency for the Willys-Overland cars at Eighth street and Cleveland avenue northwest, Canton, under the firm name of Miller & Orin. They conduct a sales and service business for the Willys-Knight and Whippet cars, and have built up a large and prosperous trade. They have a large and well equipped garage, in which they do high-grade repair work. They take a justifiable pride in the reputation which has been won through the superior quality of their work, for no job is permitted to leave the shop until it is right, and every customer must be satisfied.

On November 23, 1913, in the parsonage of St. John's Catholic church, in Canton, Rev. McGuire pronounced the words which united in marriage Mr. Miller and Miss Sarah Ray, a native of Millersburg, Holmes county, Ohio, and a daughter of Howard and Clara Ray, who now reside in Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are the parents of a daughter, Lucille M., who is at home.

Mr. Miller is a stanch republican in his political views, is a member of the United Commercial Travelers, and he and his wife are earnest members of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, to which they give generous support. A man of candid and straightforward manner, of sterling integrity in all his affairs, and courteous and accommodating in his relations with the public, he has gained a well merited reputation as a progressive and dependable business man, worthy of the confidence of his fellowmen.

FRANK V. HURLEY

The Canton Mantel & Tile Company stands as the legitimate outcome of Frank V. Hurley's persistent and rightly directed efforts, for he began his business career with practically no capital excepting a spirit to work, a well defined goal and sound principles,

and today he stands among Canton's successful and respected business men. He was born in Harford county, Maryland, on the 16th of November, 1881, a son of John and Rebecca (Clendenin) Hurley, the former of whom was born in County Cork, Ireland, and the latter on the eastern shore of Maryland. One of his forebears on the maternal side was a general in the Civil war.

Mr. Hurley received his education in the public schools of his native country and then entered a business college at Bel Air, Maryland, where he took a full course in bookkeeping, attending the night sessions of the school and working during the day. In 1893 he engaged in the flour and feed business with his brother, and in 1898 went to Washington, D. C., where he began his connection with the tile business. After securing his first contract and carefully figuring it, he borrowed the money with which to finance it, and on its completion found himself with twelve hundred dollars of clear profit. With this as a nucleus, he went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he carried on the same line of business until 1909, since which time he has been located in Canton. In 1912 he organized the Canton Mantel & Tile Company in the old Quayle block at 108 Fourth street southeast. There, through the high quality of his work and his sound business methods, he built up a large remunerative business, and in 1927 moved to 314 Second street southeast, where he is ideally situated for the proper handling of the business. Some unusually fine examples of his tile work are to be found in the homes of H. H. Timken, of Canton; William Rommel, on the Massillon road at Mt. Marie; Donald Whitacre, on the Waynesburg road; H. C. Hait, at Fifteenth street and Market avenue north; John J. Whitacre, Fifteenth street and Market avenue north, and H. C. Milligan, Sixteenth street and Cleveland avenue northwest.

On January 21, 1926, in the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church in Canton, the pastor, Rev. Chapman, performed the ceremony which united Mr. Hurley and Miss Margaret R. Jacobs. She was born at Tuscola, Illinois, April 15, 1908, and is a daughter of Oscar A. and Theda (Landis) Jacobs, the former of whom, of German descent, was born December 22, 1881, and the latter, of Welsh ancestry, was born near Atwood, Illinois, September 1, 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Hurley are the parents of a son, Frank V., Jr., born April 21, 1927.

Mr. Hurley is an ardent republican in his political views, and he

and his wife are members of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Hurley has shown himself a man of high ideals in his special line of work, is painstaking and thorough in the performance of every contract into which he enters, and has gained a well merited reputation as a capable and reliable business man.

MICHAEL CONLEY

Michael Conley, president and treasurer of the M. Conley Company of Canton, has long held a place among Stark county's progressive and successful merchants and has built up a business which reflects creditably on his ability and enterprise. He was born in Canton on the 18th day of March, 1875, and is a son of Patrick and Catherine (McCullough) Conley, both of whom were born in County Tipperary, Ireland. The father died in June, 1898, and is still survived by his widow, who resides in Canton. Patrick Conley was the first of his line to come to the United States and was a man of splendid qualities, commanding the respect of all who knew him.

Michael Conley was reared at home and attended the South Market street school, St. John's parochial school and the Liberty street public school, after which he took a general business course with the International Correspondence School. In 1896, when twenty-one years of age, he embarked in the retail grocery business on Tuscarawas street east, the net receipts of which for the first day were fifty-three cents. He conducted that business until about 1900, when he established a wholesale crockery store in one room, and this proved a highly successful venture, the business continuing to expand until, in January, 1919, Mr. Conley organized the M. Conley Company, which was incorporated for two hundred thousand dollars, and of which he became president and treasurer and L. J. Meier, secretary. This firm acts as manufacturers agents for general merchandise, of which they carry a large and complete stock, embracing a wide variety of articles, though specializing in wholesale wrapping paper, paper bags and kindred lines. The firm employs twenty-nine persons and utilizes eleven trucks, besides six other cars for their salesmen, of whom there are nine, who work the territory within a radius of fifty miles of

Canton. As their business has grown they have been compelled to increase their space and they now occupy several buildings, embracing over forty thousand square feet of floor space. In addition to the regular staple lines of goods, the M. Conley Company also carries all items in season, such as valentines, egg dyes, fireworks, Christmas goods, kites and Halloween novelties, and has a well established reputation as an up-to-date and reliable concern. Mr. Conley is a director of the Canton Bank & Trust Company.

On June 27, 1906, in St. John's Roman Catholic church, Canton, Rev. P. J. McGuire performed the ceremony which united Mr. Conley and Miss Flora B. Melchior, who was born in this city on January 29, 1876, a daughter of John and Mary (Long) Melchior. Mr. and Mrs. Conley are the parents of six children, of whom the first, Paul J., died in infancy. The others are Richard M., Arthur W., Norman B., Mary Catherine and James A., all of whom live in this city.

Mr. Conley is a democrat in his political affiliation and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the United Commercial Travelers, the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and he and his wife are earnest members of St. John's Roman Catholic church. Mr. Conley is in the best sense of the term a self-made man, having attained his success through his determined and well directed efforts, and, because of his high standing in commercial circles as well as his genial and kindly attitude toward those about him, has won and retains the respect and esteem of the entire community in which he lives.

JOHN SCHUBACH

Among Canton's leading business men stands John Schubach, whose record has gained for him an enviable reputation as a man of sound judgment, unusual executive ability and great energy, as has been evidenced in his achievements in connection with the development of the Sanitary Milk Company, of which he is now president. He was born in Auburn township, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, on the 30th of January, 1877. His parents, Joseph and Mary (Welty) Schubach, were natives of Switzerland and are

now deceased, the father dying May 11, 1899, and the mother May 10, 1924. The paternal grandfather went to Switzerland from Holland, where he had been a commander in the Holland army.

John Schubach attended the grammar grades of the district schools in Tuscarawas county and then spent two terms in a normal school at New Philadelphia. In 1901 he entered Ohio State University, where he took a short course in agriculture and dairying, and in 1902 came to Canton as superintendent of the Sanitary Milk Company. This concern at that time was in a very discouraging condition, but in Mr. Schubach's opinion presented splendid possibilities under proper management. He at once threw every ounce of his energy into building up the business, working from two o'clock in the morning until six in the evening, even hitching up the horses and driving a wagon, and it was not long until the business was showing a decided improvement. During subsequent years its growth has been steady and substantial under his careful and judicious management and, instead of ten employes and a capitalization of eighteen thousand dollars, in which condition he took it over, it is now capitalized for a half million dollars and employs one hundred and sixty-five persons, while the number of wagons and trucks have increased from five to seventy-five. The company handles milk, cream, cottage cheese and all kinds of ice cream and is numbered among Canton's most substantial business concerns. Mr. Schubach is now president and general manager and takes a justifiable pride in the establishment, which has been brought to its present prosperous state through his determined and well directed efforts and the loyal cooperation of his employes. Mr. Schubach is a director of the Canton Bank & Trust Company, a director and treasurer of the Canton Pythian Castle Company, vice president of the Triangle Tire & Rubber Company and vice president of the Sumner Creamery Company.

In 1903, in Ragersville, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, Mr. Schubach was united in marriage to Miss Pearl May Catcott, who was born January 16, 1883, and is a daughter of James A. and Catherine Catcott, the former of whom was born in Auburn township, Tuscarawas county, and the latter in Jefferson township, that county. Her father is deceased and her mother now resides at Stone Creek, Ohio. To Mr. and Mrs. Schubach have been born five children, namely: Helen, who is the wife of Morgan M. Rod-

erick, of Toledo, Ohio; Katherine, James Joseph, John Robert and Estella, who are at home.

The republican party receives Mr. Schubach's support, while his religious connection is with the First Reformed church of Canton. Fraternally, he is a member of McKinley Lodge, F. & A. M.; Emeth Lodge of Perfection (fourteenth degree), Mystic Council Princes of Jerusalem (sixteenth degree), Brenton Chapter of Rose Croix (eighteenth degree) and Lake Erie Consistory (thirty-second degree), A. A. S. R.; Buckeye Lodge No. 11, K. P.; and belongs to the Kiwanis Club, of which he is a past president, the Canton Club, the Congress Lake Club, and the Canton Chamber of Commerce, of which he is first vice president. He has been true to the highest obligations of citizenship, lending his efforts and influence to the betterment of his community, and is numbered among the progressive and public-spirited citizens of Canton, commanding the unqualified respect and confidence of his fellowmen.

HARRY W. WILLIAMS

Harry W. Williams has for more than two score years been connected with the engineering department of the Morgan Engineering Company at Alliance, and his services have been of a quality that has made him one of the most highly esteemed members of that department. He was born in Lisbon, Columbiana county, Ohio, on the 18th of February, 1881, a son of John Y. and Emma (Crook) Williams. He comes of old Maryland stock, in which state was born his paternal great-grandfather, Jesse Williams, who removed to Ohio in an early day and settled in Madison township, Columbiana county, where his death occurred. He was a farmer by occupation, a supporter of the republican party and was a Presbyterian in religious faith. He married Miss Elizabeth Shaffer, also a native of Maryland, and they were the parents of Levi Williams, who was born in Columbiana county in 1810 and died on his farm near Lisbon, October 9, 1861. The latter was also a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Miss Mary March, who was born in Columbiana county, August 6, 1810, and died there April 6, 1882. They were the

parents of John Y. Williams, who was born on his father's farm near Lisbon, August 13, 1849, and who is now living in Alliance, being retired from active pursuits. He devoted the major portion of his active life to farming, though during his early years he was a school teacher. He was prominent and influential in his community and represented Columbiana county in the state legislature from 1886 to 1890. Afterward he served as superintendent of a government Indian school at Fort Hall, Idaho. He was a member of the city council, Alliance, and in various ways has taken an active part in the affairs of his town and county. In politics he is a republican and is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, which he has served on the official board. Emma (Crook) Williams, who was born in Elkton, Columbiana county, May 3, 1850, and is now living in Alliance, is a daughter of Thomas and Jane (Batchelor) Crook, both of whom were natives of England and died at Elkton. Her father was a woolen manufacturer and also conducted a general store at Elkton, besides owning and operating farm land. He was also an ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Harry W. Williams attended the public schools of Alliance, graduating from high school in 1899, and later entered Mount Union College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1905. In May, 1906, he entered the employ of the Morgan Engineering Company at Alliance, and has since been connected with the engineering department. He is an expert in his line, in which he has gained a high reputation, and has given loyal and dependable service. In his political affiliation Mr. Williams has always been a republican and has shown a proper interest in public affairs, particularly such as pertain to the welfare and progress of his home city and county. He is an active member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is secretary of the official board and secretary and treasurer of the Sunday school.

On December 31, 1917, in Alliance, Mr. Williams was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Finney, who was born in Conneaut, Ohio, February 24, 1885, and was graduated from the Salem, Ohio, high school in 1904, after which she attended Salem Business College. She was employed as a stenographer prior to her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of a daughter, Alice Katherine, born April 17, 1920. They are well known in social circles of Alliance and are held in high esteem. Mr. Williams is a

director of the Midland Savings & Loan Company of Alliance and among his business associates is regarded as a man of mature and reliable judgment, while in the sphere of private citizenship he has so ordered his course as to win the respect of his fellowmen.

Mrs. Williams is a daughter of Joseph Alexander and Amy Lucretia (Leyde) Finney. In the paternal line Mrs. Williams' ancestry is traced back to the twelfth century, at which time three brothers by the name of Di Fini were living in Florence, Italy. They were of an old baronial family and were devoted to literature as a profession. Their home was the world-famous Palmiera Villa, built by Croine Di Fini in 1230. At that time it was called Travista, or "Three Faces," the faces of the three brothers being carved on the building. It was afterward called Chiffonerie, meaning "avoid care," and is now owned by an American millionaire. One of the brothers referred to went to Ireland and became the ruling prince of Ulster, the well known Prince Finn McCool, so that his descendants are of the clan De Finn, meaning The Finn. The old castle is marked on River Finn, in Ulster county. The clan was famed for its beautiful men and their golden red hair. They were respected and feared by the natives of their locality because they could read and write and sing to musical instruments. A noted member of the family was Ossian, the poet prince of Ireland. In Ulster county, in 1668, was born Robert Finney, who married Dorothea French, and in 1720 brought his wife, seven sons and two daughters to America, settling at New London, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he bought "Thunder Hill farm," for which he paid sixteen thousand pounds sterling. He was for forty years a ruling elder in the West Grove Presbyterian church. Among his children was Dr. John Finney, who was colonel in the Continental army, and who practiced medicine for forty years in New Castle, Delaware, where he was also officer of the port. He married his cousin, Elizabeth French, and they became the parents of David Finney, who became a judge of the court at Wilmington, Delaware, and who married Miss Ann Thompson. Their son, David Thompson Finney, married Miss Mary James, a daughter of Captain Sir John James, who was a native of England, a man of title, who settled in Charlotte, South Carolina. He was one of the chevaliers of that locality, but fought in behalf of the colonies during the Revolution. David Thompson and Mary (James) Finney came to Ohio from Wilmington, Delaware, after their son, Washington,

was born. They had first located in Philadelphia, where Mr. Finney held office under his cousin, Thomas McKean, at that time the governor of the state, and who signed the Declaration of Independence and became a justice of the supreme court. On arriving in Ohio, David T. Finney settled on a one thousand acre Revolutionary grant in Holmes county, which land is now in the possession of his grandson, William Finney, and the latter's son, Delno Finney. Washington Finney was born in Wilmington, Delaware, in 1775 or 1776, and died at Nashville, Holmes county, Ohio. He married Miss Martha Bell, of Millersburg, and they became the parents of eleven children, one of whom was Thomas Thompson Finney, who followed farming and died in Nashville. About 1843 he married Miss Mary Jane Richardson, and to them were born four sons and four daughters, one of whom was Joseph Alexander, who was born near Eldersville, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1852, and was the father of Mrs. Gertrude Williams. He was a traveling salesman for many years, and his death occurred near Steubenville, Ohio. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife was born near Pattersonville in Carroll county, Ohio, August 11, 1853, and died in Alliance, August 10, 1920. She was a daughter of Henry and Amy (Fishel) Leyde, living near Minerva, Carroll county, Ohio. Mr. Leyde was a prominent farmer of that county and the first in that locality to raise peaches on a large scale. Mrs. Williams is also related to Colonel John French Finney, M. D., and Captain John Finney, both of whom served in the Revolutionary war, and Dr. John Finney, the noted surgeon of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, is a member of the same family.

ALBAN FREDERICK MORRIS

Alban Frederick Morris is a citizen who has known the thrill of successful achievement. From the humble position of office boy he has steadily risen through the mastery of each task assigned him until he has bridged the great space between his initial position and the presidency of a large corporation, being now at the head of The Morgan Engineering Company of Alliance. That he has been steadily a contributing factor to the growth and prosperity of the



ALBAN FREDERICK MORRIS

enterprise is indicated in the fact that at a recent date he was advanced to fill a vacancy in the chief executive office of this concern and today is largely shaping the policy and directing the activities of the business, to which he first turned his attention when his textbooks were put aside. There is no record which the American public holds in so high esteem as that of a self-made man, and there is no record which serves to more fully encourage and stimulate the youth of the land than such a one as constitutes the life history of Alban Frederick Morris.

He was born in Alliance, his parents being Alban J. and Jane (Evans) Morris. At the usual age he entered the public schools and mastered the work of successive grades until he was graduated from the high school. It was then that he obtained a position as office boy with The Morgan Engineering Company. He applied himself closely to the work assigned him, gained intimate knowledge thereof and developed his efficiency to a point that brought him promotion. Thus it was that he worked in the offices of the different departments in the plant, eventually becoming paymaster and later the head of the cost and estimating department. He was afterwards assigned to duty in the sales department, where he continued for a few years, and that he again measured his capability and his industry in the terms of advancement and success is indicated in the fact that in 1903 he was made sales manager. Twenty years passed and in 1923 he was elected vice president as well as sales manager, so continuing until May 14, 1928, when he was elected to the presidency as the successor of the late Colonel W. H. Morgan. The years of experience which were his as sales manager enabled Mr. Morris to gain a wide acquaintance with the steel industry throughout the United States and his knowledge thereby obtained will be of immense benefit to him in directing the activities of the great enterprise of which he is now the head.

On the 28th of September, 1898, Mr. Morris was married to Miss Ella Bullock, a daughter of David P. and Adelaide (Fisher) Bullock, of Alliance. Her father, who was for many years a wholesale grocer of Alliance, is now living retired in Detroit, Michigan, but the mother has passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Morris have a son, Alban Frederick, Jr., who was born September 16, 1915.

Mr. Morris is a member of the First Presbyterian church, while his wife is a communicant of the Episcopal church. In Masonic circles he is well known, having membership in the lodge, chapter

and commandery and also in Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He exemplifies in his life the beneficent spirit of the craft and is in full sympathy with its purposes to maintain higher standards in individual living and in community activity. He is an active member of the American Iron and Steed Institute and belongs to the Congress Lake Club and the Alliance Country Club, and in the community in which his entire life has been passed he enjoys in notable measure the respect, confidence and good will of his fellow-men, having so conducted his affairs as to win substantial and creditable success in business and to contribute to the progress and upbuilding of the city in which he has lived and labored. He is forceful and energetic, strong and purposeful, and he never stops short until his well formulated plans are carried to successful completion.

WILLIAM PURDY AKINS

Among the native sons of Stark county who have wisely remained here and have become actively interested in the business affairs of their respective communities is William P. Akins, a member of the Cope Electric Company of Alliance, in which line of effort he is meeting with well merited success. Mr. Akins was born in Alliance on the 24th of August, 1896, a son of C. L. and Mary (Purdy) Akins. His paternal grandfather, Philip Akins, was a native of France but was for many years a resident of this country and his death occurred in Alliance. He was a member of the Roman Catholic church. C. L. Akins was born and reared in Alliance; attended its public schools and is now successfully engaged in the garage business. He is a republican in politics and is an adherent of the Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Ireland and is a daughter of John and Margaret (McMillan) Purdy, both of whom were natives of the Emerald isle. Mr. Purdy died in Alliance, where he had served for thirty years as superintendent of Alliance cemetery. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

William P. Akins was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1915 and attended Mount Union College one year, after which

he entered the Carnegie School of Technology at Pittsburgh, where he remained until February, 1918, when he enlisted for service in the World war. He was in training at Fort Myers, Virginia, and was then sent to France, where he saw active service for ten and a half months. He was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, April 2, 1919, and on his return to his home city he acquired an interest in the Cope Electric Company of Alliance, of which he is still a member and in connection with which he is serving as superintendent of construction. He is painstaking and thorough in whatever he undertakes and is an important factor in the success of his concern.

On October 10, 1923, in Alliance, Mr. Akins was united in marriage to Miss Carolyn Cantine Kay, who was born in this city, February 5, 1900, a daughter of Charles Young and Gertrude (Cantine) Kay. Her paternal grandparents were Dr. Charles and Alice (Young) Kay, both of whom were natives of this state and died in Alliance. Dr. Kay was a successful physician of the city, a republican in his political views and a public-spirited and influential citizen. Charles Young Kay was born in East Fairfield, Ohio, November 25, 1852, and died in Alliance, February 10, 1925. In his early years he practiced law in this city, but later turned his attention to the hardware business, in which he met with success and retired from active business pursuits sometime prior to his death. He was an active supporter of the republican party and served at one time as a member of the city council and also as superintendent of schools. His wife was born in Saginaw, Michigan, August 5, 1860, and is still living in Alliance. Her parents were William and Emily (Dickenson) Cantine. Her father, who was born and reared in Connecticut, went to Michigan in early days, but died in 1903 in Alliance, where he had lived for a number of years. He organized the Alliance Gas & Power Company and later was in the hardware business with his son-in-law, Charles Young Kay, under the firm name of Cantine & Kay. During the Civil war he enlisted and served in the commissary department until the close of that conflict, being discharged with the rank of major. His wife was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, September 10, 1833, and died in Alliance, December 27, 1924, at the age of ninety-one years. William Cantine was a son of William and Caroline Cantine, both of whom were born in Connecticut and lived in Michigan. Mrs. Cantine died in Alliance, Ohio. Mrs.

Akins has two sisters, Misses Mary Emily and Gertrude Alice Kay, both of whom are living in Alliance.

Mrs. Akins was graduated from the Alliance high school in 1918, attended Mount Union College one year and then entered the University of Wisconsin, from which she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1922, since which time she has been engaged in social and civic work. She is executive secretary of Alliance Chapter of the American Red Cross Society, is a member of the council of the Alliance Day Nursery, and belongs to the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Alliance Women's Club, the Coterie Club and the Alpha Xi Delta sorority. She is a member of the Presbyterian church and gives her support to the democratic party.

Mr. Akins has always supported the republican party and his religious connection is with the Presbyterian church. He is a member of J. M. McFadden Lodge No. 697, F. & A. M.; Alliance Chapter No. 83, R. A. M.; Alliance Council No. 212, R. & S. M.; Alliance Commandery No. 67, K. T.; Al Koran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cleveland; Alliance Lodge No. 467, B. P. O. E.; the American Legion, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon college fraternity, the Alliance Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of up-to-date ideas and progressive methods, is industrious and energetic in his business affairs and is well worthy of the high place which he holds in the estimation of those who know him.

MILO HERBERT DUNBAR

The Dunbar Brothers Company of Canton has gained a high reputation among automobile owners and dealers for the superior qualities of the battery which it is producing and which is attaining a notable popularity, its sales showing a marked increase each year. The concern was established by Milo H. and Nelson R. Dunbar as the Dunbar Brothers Battery Company, at which time they were simply dealers in batteries. However, in the following year they engaged in the manufacture of their own batteries, at which time the firm style became the Dunbar Brothers Manufacturing Company. Their plant is located at 712 Rex avenue, northeast, Canton, where they make the Dunbar battery, the particular sell-

ing points of which are the ability of the battery to operate in the hardest commercial car service from sixty to ninety days on each water refill, many of them having run from seven to ten months on one refilling; the Dunbar patented terminal connections, which, by their exclusive design, eliminate terminal breakage from the strain and vibration of the heavy starter cables, and also makes it possible to connect up mechanically perfect to any starter cable; the thickness and strength of the plates; the quarter-sawed Port Orford cedar separators, which cushion the plates, completely insulate them, and permit free circulation of the electrolyte; the lock nut and rubber washer on the posts, which assure an absolutely leak-proof connection; and the solid rubber cases, which are weather proof, acid proof and non-breakable. Quality and satisfaction are the outstanding features of the Dunbar batteries. In the Chrysler "Round the Rim" of the United States, a most unusual feat, the Dunbar battery in the car was not given attention of any nature. Yet at the completion of the trip of thirteen thousand four hundred and fifty-six miles, which was made in twenty-one days, four hours and eight minutes, the battery still contained sufficient electrolyte for safety and hydrometer tests. The Dunbar Company sells both at wholesale and retail, supplying dealers throughout northern Ohio and serving the territory through service stations.

Milo H. Dunbar was born at Linn Grove, Adams county, Indiana, on the 17th of April, 1891, and is a son of Emanuel E. and Lucinda A. (Smith) Dunbar, both of whom were natives of the Hoosier state. The Dunbar family moved to Canton, Ohio, April 1, 1900. The mother died December 15, 1916, and the father now resides in Canton. Milo H. Dunbar received his educational training in the public schools of Ohio, and finished the eighth grade at the Crystal Park school in Canton. He learned the trade of machinist with the Harvard Dental Chair Company, with which concern he remained three years, and was then employed for a year as a toolmaker in the plant of the Timken Roller Bearing Company. He next worked in the same capacity for the Miller Pasteurizing Company, and when he left the employ of that concern seven years later he was general shop superintendent. In April, 1916, he and his brother embarked in the battery business and their history from that time to the present has been a record of continued success.

On November 25, 1915, at Alden, Illinois, Mr. Dunbar was united in marriage to Miss Florence M. Edwards, who was born at Bristol, Wisconsin, February 5, 1891, a daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Morris) Edwards, both of whom are natives of England and still reside in Alden. Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar have three children, namely: Richard H., born June 17, 1919; Harley G., born February 2, 1921; and Ted M., born April 14, 1925.

Mr. Dunbar is a republican in his political views and is a member of Canton Council No. 60, Royal League. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Christian church of Canton, in the work of which Mrs. Dunbar takes an active part, being particularly interested in the missionary societies. Mr. Dunbar has shown sound judgment in all of his business affairs, has labored hard for success and is well worthy of the prosperity which is now his.

PAUL GIFFIN HIMMELRIGHT

Paul G. Himmelright, vice president and manager of the Monarch Rubber Company, of Hartville, Ohio, has been a leading factor in the success of this prosperous concern and has shown himself a man of marked business and executive ability. He was born in Piqua, Ohio, on the 26th of June, 1890, a son of Owen H. and Mary Armetta (Giffin) Himmelright. In the paternal line he is of German descent, and the family was established in Ohio by his great-grandfather, who became a pioneer settler at Minster, Auglaize county. There his son, John H. Himmelright, was born and reared to young manhood. He then moved to Piqua, where he established his permanent home and spent the remainder of his days. Owen H. Himmelright was born at Piqua; received a good public school education, and engaged in the contracting business, which he followed during his active business career. His death occurred in 1917. In the maternal line Mr. Himmelright is of Scotch descent, the Giffin family having long been established in Scotland, which country they left at the time of the Knox religious persecutions and located in the north of Ireland. From the latter country came the American progenitor of the family early in the eighteenth century and settled in Pennsylvania. About 1800

Grandfather Giffin moved to Warren county, Ohio, of which locality he was a pioneer farmer, and in about 1825 he located in Miami county, where he took up a tract of government land, the patent to which, signed by President Madison, is now in Mr. Himmelright's possession. On this farm, which is located about four miles east of Piqua, was born Mary Armetta Giffin, who is still living in Piqua.

Paul G. Himmelright attended the public schools of Piqua, graduating from high school in 1908, after which he entered Miami University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912. He became a salesman of plaster for the United States Gypsum Company of Chicago and was employed by that concern and the American Cement Plaster Company continuously until 1919, when he entered the employ of the Crystal Park Lumber & Coal Company, with which concern he remained until 1921, when he was appointed receiver for the Monarch Rubber Company of Hartville. He conducted that business until 1926, when it was reorganized under the same name, with the following officers and directors: H. B. Fawcett, of Canton, president; Paul G. Himmelright, vice president and manager; R. M. Fawcett, second vice president; P. M. Seymour, of Canton, secretary; R. J. Himmelright, assistant secretary and treasurer; W. Paul Wagner, O. W. Renkert, C. T. Carlson, D. P. Hoover and H. C. Milligan, of Canton, and C. B. Wagner, of Hartville. The capital stock amounts to ten thousand shares, of no par value, but a declared value of twenty-five dollars a share. The company is engaged in the manufacture of Monarch tires and has a daily output of fifteen hundred tires. Since its reorganization the company has prospered and is now regarded as one of Stark county's solid and going concerns.

On September 2, 1915, Mr. Himmelright was united in marriage to Miss Mabel I. Bauhof, of Canton, a daughter of Edward A. and Agnes (Rudy) Bauhof, the latter of whom still resides in Canton. Mr. Bauhof, who was for many years engaged in the monument business on East Tuscarawas street, retired in 1914, and his death occurred in 1918. Mrs. Himmelright was educated in the Canton public and high schools, after which she attended Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. She is a member of the Junior Service Club, of Canton.

Mr. Himmelright is a member of Oxford Lodge No. 67, F. &

A. M.; Piqua Chapter, R. A. M.; Piqua Council, R. & S. M.; the Beta Theta Pi college fraternity, the Canton Club, the Congress Lake Club of Canton and the Old Colony Club of New York. He and his wife are earnest members of Trinity Reformed church of Canton, in which city they reside, their home being at 335 Fifteenth street, northwest. A man of high purposes, consistent life and sterling character, he has the genuine respect of his associates for his capable and efficient work in connection with building up the business, and all who know him hold him in high regard for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

JACOB B. SNYDER

Jacob B. Snyder, who for more than a third of a century has been a prominent and successful representative of the legal profession in Canton, where he is now engaged in practice with his son, Huber J., under the firm style of Snyder & Snyder, has also been an outstanding figure in the ranks of politics, representing his district in the seventy-third and seventy-fourth general assemblies of Ohio. His natal day was July 2, 1866, and his birthplace a farm near East Canton, Stark county, Ohio, his parents being Jacob B. and Mollie (Bollinger) Snyder, both of whom were born in the vicinity of Louisville, this county, the former on October 25, 1824, and the latter in 1844. His grandparents in both the paternal and maternal lines were natives of the Keystone state and were known as Pennsylvania Germans. Jacob Snyder, the paternal grandfather of Mr. Snyder of this review, was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, where the family had located before the Revolutionary war. He made his way to Stark county in pioneer times, took up a tract of timber land in Nimishillen township and made a home in the midst of the wilderness. Jacob B. and Mollie (Bollinger) Snyder, the parents of the subject of this sketch, were reared in a rural community and passed away on their farm adjoining East Canton on the north, the former dying October 25, 1891, and the mother on the 1st of January, 1897.

Jacob B. Snyder, whose name introduces this record, pursued his early education in the grade school at Osaburg, now East Canton, continued his studies in Ashland College and subsequently

attended the Northern Ohio University at Ada. He followed the profession of teaching as an instructor in the district schools of his home community for a few years. Desiring to become a member of the bar, however, he matriculated in the Cincinnati Law School, which in May, 1891, conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. Admitted to the bar on the 30th of May, 1892, he opened an office at Osnaburg but in April of the following year located in Canton, where he has continued in the work of his chosen profession through the intervening period of thirty-five years. He was a member of the firm of Craine & Snyder from 1900 until 1911 and since April, 1924, has been engaged in general law practice in association with his son, Huber J., under the style of Snyder & Snyder, and has built up a clientage of extensive and gratifying proportions. His fidelity to the interests of his clients is proverbial, yet he never forgets that he owes a higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. His diligence and energy in the preparation of his cases, as well as the earnestness, tenacity and courage with which he defends the right, as he understands it, challenge the highest admiration of his associates.

On the 27th of November, 1894, at Howenstine, Stark county, Mr. Snyder was united in marriage to Miss Alice Steinmetz, who was born on a farm near that place on the 7th of October, 1871. Her parents, George and Mary Ann Steinmetz, who were Pennsylvania Germans, were both born in Pike township, this county, the former on October 14, 1834, and the latter on January 26, 1836. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder are the parents of a daughter and a son, namely: Bernice, who resides with her father and mother at 1251 Logan avenue, northwest, in Canton; and Huber J., who married Georgia Andreas and resides at North Canton.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Snyder has been a staunch supporter of the republican party, believing that its principles contain the best elements of good government. He was appointed postmaster of Osnaburg in 1889 and capably discharged the duties of the office until his resignation on the 1st of January, 1892. Two years later, in 1894, he was elected mayor of Osnaburg and gave to its citizens a businesslike and progressive administration characterized by many measures of reform and improvement. In 1897 he was elected to the Ohio legislature and at the end of his first term won reelection, serving in both the seventy-third and seventy-fourth general assemblies of the state. He was

speaker pro tem of the seventy-fourth general assembly and made a splendid record as a legislator, giving the most thoughtful and earnest consideration to the many vital questions which came up for settlement until the close of his second term on the 1st of January, 1902. Mr. Snyder is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, which he joined in 1892, while in the strict path of his profession he has membership connection with the Stark County Bar Association. Both he and his wife have always lived in Stark county and have gained many warm friends within its borders.

GARFIELD WEHR FORDING

Prominent in real estate, insurance and financial circles of Alliance stands Garfield W. Fording, whose business is conducted under the name of the Fording Agency. He is a progressive, alert and up-to-date business man and the success which has come to him is the legitimate outcome of his persistent and well directed efforts.

Mr. Fording was born at North Benton, Mahoning county, Ohio, on the 8th of July, 1881, a son of Lloyd and Elizabeth (Wehr) Fording. His paternal grandfather, Ewan Fording, was born in this state, May 30, 1810, and died in Alliance, March 21, 1897. He had followed farming but had lived retired from active pursuits for some time prior to his death. He was a republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Miss Christina Clippinger, who was born in Salem, Ohio, in 1809, and died at the Fording homestead in Smith township, four miles from Alliance, December 28, 1886. She was a daughter of Anthony and Margaret (Miller) Clippinger, who are buried at North Georgetown, Ohio. Anthony Clippinger was a native of Pennsylvania and fought in the Revolutionary war. Elizabeth (Wehr) Fording was born in Pennsylvania, September 26, 1849, and died in Alliance, Ohio, February 21, 1920. She was a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Treichler) Wehr, both of whom were born in Pennsylvania and died in Blainstown, Iowa, where Mr. Wehr was engaged in mercantile business. They were members of the Presbyterian church. To Lloyd and Elizabeth Fording were born

four children, namely: Garfield W., of this review; Susan S., who is serving as deputy clerk in the office of the county auditor of Stark county at Canton; Mayme C., who is a public stenographer in Alliance; and Mildred E., who is the wife of Charles R. Holeton, who is a veteran of the World war and is now engaged in the undertaking business at Niles, Ohio. They have a daughter, Elizabeth Susan.

Garfield W. Fording attended the public schools, graduating from the Alliance high school, and later attended Mount Union College. He learned the machinist's trade and drafting, which lines of work he followed here until 1905, when he embarked in the real estate and general insurance business. This proved a successful venture and he has built up a large and prosperous business, being now numbered among the leaders in his line in the city. For the past few years he has also represented the Manufacturers Finance Acceptance Corporation, which is engaged in the buying of mortgages.

On January 20, 1910, in Mars, Butler county, Pennsylvania, Mr. Fording was united in marriage to Mrs. Lavina B. (Walters) Smith, who was born December 11, 1878, and is a daughter of Robert and Minerva (Rea) Walters. Her father was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, and died in Mars, February 2, 1912. He followed farming and also did considerable contracting and building. He was a republican and a member of the United Presbyterian church. His parents, Henry and Nancy (Forsythe) Walters, who lived on a farm in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, were also members of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Nancy Walters was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, and there her death occurred. Minerva (Rea) Walters, who was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, and died at Mars, that county, July 13, 1913, was a daughter of William and Nancy (Sluhlfire) Rea, the former of whom was a pioneer farmer of Butler county. He brought the first mowing machine into that county and while operating the machine his team became frightened and ran away. He was caught in the machine and one of his legs was cut off, his death resulting. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and was a republican in politics. Mrs. Fording was educated in the public schools of Butler county, and has long been a member of the United Presbyterian church, in which she sang in the choir for a number of years. She is a member of the Daughters of Rebekah and the Protected Home Circle

and during the World war took an active part in Red Cross work. By a former marriage she is the mother of a son, Rea Ainsworth Smith, who was born January 22, 1898, at Atwater Center, Ohio. He is in the real estate business and is also associated with the Manufacturers Finance Acceptance Corporation. He is a veteran of the World war, having served as a sergeant at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, where he was stationed for eighteen months. He married Miss Caroline Helv, of Alliance.

Mr. Fording gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of the Macabees and the Protective Home Circle, as well as the Chamber of Commerce and the Alliance Real Estate Board. He took an active part in advancing all local war measures during the World war and has always given freely of his time and influence in advancing the material and civic interests of his city and county. A man of strong individuality and agreeable manner, he has won many loyal friends, while throughout the community he is held in high regard.

HUBER JAMES SNYDER

Huber James Snyder, an able young lawyer and popular native son of Stark county, now serving as one of its assistant prosecuting attorneys, is successfully engaged in practice at Canton in association with his father, Jacob B. Snyder, under the firm style of Snyder & Snyder. He was born at East Canton, Ohio, July 31, 1898, his parents being Jacob B. and Alice (Steinmetz) Snyder, the former born on a farm near East Canton, July 2, 1866, and the latter on a farm eight miles southeast of Canton, October 7, 1871. Both are of German ancestry and their respective parents came to the Buckeye state from Pennsylvania. A sketch of Jacob B. Snyder may be found on another page of this work.

Huber J. Snyder received his early education at the Woodland Avenue school in Canton, which he attended for eight years. Subsequently he spent three years in the North high school of Canton and then for a year continued his studies in the Central high school here, receiving a diploma from the latter. He was graduated therefrom as the fourth highest in scholarship in a class of one hundred

and seventy-five pupils. Thereafter he was a student in the literary department of the University of Michigan for two years and then for four years attended the University of Chicago, being a law student in the latter institution for eight quarters or two and two-thirds years. The degree of Bachelor of Philosophy was conferred upon him.

Mr. Snyder moved from East Canton, the place of his birth, to the city of Canton, subsequently spent four years in Chicago and is now a resident of North Canton, Ohio. He first worked as a paper boy, carrying the Canton Repository to residents on North Market street for three years, while later he was employed in the steel mill of the Central Alloy Company. Prior to becoming identified with the legal profession he engaged in teaching in grade and high schools near Otis, Colorado, for one term and he also taught chemistry, history and business law at the McKinley high school in Canton, Ohio, as a substitute teacher. During the past five years he has devoted his attention to the work of the courts, being engaged in the private practice of law as junior member of the firm of Snyder & Snyder, with offices at 803 First National Bank building in Canton. On the 1st of August, 1927, he was appointed an assistant prosecuting attorney of Stark county by Henry W. Harter, Jr., the present prosecuting attorney.

On the 8th of December, 1926, at Canton, Ohio, Mr. Snyder was united in marriage to Miss Georgia Andreas, who was born at Dover, this state, December 31, 1902. Mrs. Snyder is popular in social circles of the community, plays golf and tennis on the grounds of the Orchard Hill Country Club and indulges her love of the game of bridge with the ladies of the Y's Men's organization.

In community affairs Mr. Snyder manifests a deep and helpful interest. He is the present secretary of the Stark county republican committee and has also been a central committeeman for a number of years. At the time of the World war he served from the date of his enlistment in the army in September, 1918, until his honorable discharge on the 15th of December following. He holds membership in the Y's Men's Club, of which he served as president in 1926, in the American Business Club, the American Legion, the Orchard Hill Country Club and the Canton Automobile Club. He is also a member of the Loyal Men's Bible Class of the First Christian church at Canton, of which he served as secretary for two and one-half years and which is one of the largest Bible classes

in the world. Friendly in manner, and cordially responsive in his social relations, he has made many warm friends and is a popular member of the circles in which he moves.

AUGUSTUS G. MOSER

Augustus G. Moser, district manager at Canton for the Ohio Power Company, has gained his present enviable standing in the electrical world through his determined and persistent efforts along right lines. He is, in the best sense of the term, self made and is entitled to great credit for what he has accomplished, being today regarded as one of Canton's leading men of affairs.

Mr. Moser was born in Louisville, Kentucky, on the 23d of November, 1877, and is a son of Michael and Caroline (Kraft) Moser, both of whom were born and reared at Germantown, Pennsylvania, and were descendents of old Pennsylvania families of German origin. After attending the public schools of Germantown, the father learned the trade of a tailor, and subsequently moved to Louisville, Kentucky, where he engaged in the merchant tailoring business. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served as a private throughout that struggle. He gave his political support to the democratic party and was a member of the Lutheran church. To him and his wife were born seven children, four sons and three daughters, of whom Augustus G. is the fourth in order of birth. Both parents are deceased.

Augustus G. Moser attended the public schools of Little Rock, Arkansas, where he was graduated from high school, and completed his educational training in the University of Arkansas. He then served an apprenticeship at electrical engineering, and was made office manager for the Little Rock Railway & Electric Company, being later promoted to the position of assistant manager. He continued with that company until 1901, when he went to Saginaw, Michigan, as manager of the Bartlett Illuminating Company, holding that position until 1904, when the plant was sold to other interests. Going then to Winona, Minnesota, Mr. Moser became manager for the Winona Railway & Light Company, later resigning that position in order to accept that of manager for the Chillicothe Railway & Light Company at Chillicothe, Ross county,

Ohio. He resigned that place to become manager for the National Gas & Electric Company of Detroit, by which concern he was later assigned to take charge of and rebuild the plant of the Bucyrus Light & Power Company, at Bucyrus, Crawford county, Ohio. On completion of that work, he was transferred to Canton as assistant manager of the Ohio Power Company, in which capacity he served until January 1, 1921, when he was made manager of the Canton district. He has proven a capable and trustworthy official and has handled the affairs of the company in this district in a manner that has caused much favorable comment.

On July 14, 1901, at Little Rock, Arkansas, Mr. Moser was united in marriage to Miss Italy Jane McCabe, who was born and reared at Little Rock and was a daughter of M. D. and Mary (Drew) McCabe. Her father was a native of Ireland, and her mother was born in Little Rock, and belonged to an old and prominent family of that locality. Mrs. Moser died April 14, 1920, at the home of her mother in Little Rock, to which she had gone in the hope of regaining her failing health.

Mr. Moser is a member of Canton Council No. 341, K. C., the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He is president of the Canton Advertising Club. While closely devoted to the interests of the companies he has represented, he has not lost sight of his obligations as a citizen and has consistently given his support to every movement or measure for the advancement of the public welfare. A keen and discriminating business man, energetic and up-to-date in his methods, he is highly regarded by all who have had dealings with him, and in the social circles of Canton he enjoys a well merited popularity.

WILLIAM SLOANE KINNEY

Well known as the pioneer in the real estate mortgage loan business in Canton, William S. Kinney has established an enviable reputation, and worthily bears a name which for more than a century has stood for the highest traditions of citizenship in Stark county. He was born in Wooster, Ohio, December 20, 1882, a son of Isaac Newton and Margaret (Leas) Kinney. His father was a son of William and Sarah Wilson Kinney, of Canton township,

and the mother's parents were Jacob and Maria Strayer Leas, of Osnaburg township. The great-grandfather, Peter Kinney, migrated from Washington county, Pennsylvania, to Ohio, casting in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Canton township, in which he owned two quarter sections as early as 1819, and this land was held in succession by three generations of the family. In 1878 the ancestral home was sold by Isaac Newton Kinney. The maternal grandparents of William S. Kinney were early settlers in Osnaburg township, and Jacob Leas was one of the founders and pillars of the Osnaburg English Lutheran church, now known as the Kuntz Memorial church. Isaac Newton Kinney, father of William S. Kinney, settled in Wooster in 1878, where he engaged in the hardware business, and became known as one of the best citizens of the town.

William S. Kinney passed from the public schools of his native town to the College of Wooster, graduating in 1904. While in college he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, and was known as a man of social charm and genuine character. After graduation he became a salesman for the Wooster Brush Company, one of the soundest firms in the city. In 1914 he removed to Canton to engage in the real estate and building business. He has prospered in his work and has been closely connected with the development of Canton. In many ways he has been a pioneer. He instituted the life insurance mortgage loan business in Canton; built the first distinctively English house there; laid the first broken flagstone walk; built the first Indiana limestone business building; and owned and operated the first successful outdoor automobile parking space in the city. He is a director of the Stark County Savings and Loan Company. He has done these things quietly and unobtrusively, but he has pointed the way for many who have advertised themselves much more actively and widely. Mr. Kinney has been content to feel the joy of the pioneer and to watch quietly the value to the community of his enterprise.

In 1915 Mr. Kinney married Miss Beulah Batchelor, of Camden, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Kinney have two children: William S., Jr., born July 6, 1916; and Josephine Craig, born February 2, 1922. Mr. Kinney belongs to the Canton Club and the Congress Lake Club, residing during the summer season in his summer home at Congress Lake. Mrs. Kinney is a charter member of the Women's Club of Canton, is also connected with the

Canton College Club and is a Daughter of the American Revolution. During the World war, Mr. Kinney was a member of the Manufacturers Liberty Loan committees and had charge of all the industrial plants in the northeast end for the third, fourth and fifth loans. Not being a manufacturer, he was drafted for the work by the chairman, William C. Laiblin, under whom he also served in the campaign for the sale of War Savings stamps. Mr. Kinney was likewise an active advisory member of the draft board and took a leading part in the carrying out of the selective service act.

Indeed, among the younger men of Canton, William S. Kinney exemplifies the value of imagination and culture in business life. He has steadily refused to be dominated by the passion for money making and has taken care to make his occupational life minister to the life of the spirit. Such men as he give us hope that our country may in time produce many business men who understand that the enrichment of life is the one thing of supreme importance. He is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal church and has served as a vestryman for six years. Those who enjoy his acquaintance know that in private life he prides himself upon his library and his works of art. He is fond of books on landscape architecture and art and is making a collection of first editions of modern authors. He is a lay member of the Grand Central Art Galleries of New York city, and the owner of a varied and valuable collection of art works, among which the works of Joseph Pennell at present predominate. At the recent memorial exhibition of Pennell's work at the Cleveland Art Museum, Mr. Kinney furnished a large number of the most valuable exhibits.

AUDLEY H. CALHOUN, M. D.

Among the medical practitioners of Canton, none is held in higher esteem than Dr. Audley H. Calhoun, who commands a large and lucrative practice and enjoys an enviable reputation as an able and dependable physician. He was born in McKeesport, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, on the 25th of May, 1880, a son of Audley and Anna (Dooris) Calhoun. The family was originally from the north of Ireland and its first representative in Ohio was the Doctor's great-grandfather, Audrey Calhoun, who settled in Jefferson

county, where he preempted a tract of land, the patent for which was signed by President Monroe. The family was established in America sometime prior to the war of the Revolution and tradition states that one of its members fought on the side of the colonists in that struggle. Andrey Calhoun became the father of Thomas Calhoun, who married Miss Eliza Dawes, and they were the parents of Audley Calhoun, Sr. The latter was reared and educated in Jefferson county, Ohio; later went to McKeesport, Pennsylvania, where he lived until 1902, and then returned to his native state, settling in Canton, where he still resides. During his active career he was successfully engaged in mercantile pursuits. He is a democrat in his political views and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife died in Canton in 1924 at the age of seventy-nine years. To this worthy couple were born three children, of whom two survive: Audley H., of this review; and Marguerite, who is a teacher in the Canton public schools.

Audley H. Calhoun attended the public schools of McKeesport, graduating from high school, after which he attended Western Pennsylvania University. On completing the course there he entered Starling Medical College, the medical school of Ohio State University, at Columbus, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1906. He first engaged in the practice of his profession at Wren, Van Wert county, Ohio, but later removed to Brewster, Stark county, where he remained three years, and in 1912 came to Canton, where he has been in continuous general practice to the present time. He has a well equipped office at 222 Cleveland avenue northwest and possesses to a marked degree the valuable quality of being able to inspire confidence on the part of his patients. He keeps in close and constant touch with the latest advances in the healing art and has been very successful in the treatment of human ailments.

At Payne, Paulding county, Ohio, Dr. Calhoun was united in marriage to Miss Golden A. Smith, who was born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, and is a daughter of the late Thomas J. and Mary M. (Griffen) Smith, both of whom were descended from old Revolutionary stock. Dr. and Mrs. Calhoun are the parents of four children, Thomas A., E. Dorris, Marguerite Jane and Mary Alice. Mrs. Calhoun is a member of the Canton Women's Club and of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and is a lineal descendant

in the fifth generation of the Ball family which was related to George Washington.

The Doctor is a stanch democrat in politics and fraternally is a member of Canton Lodge No. 60, F. & A. M.; Dewitt Clinton Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Grand Rapids, Michigan; Aladdin Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Columbus, Ohio; the American Legion and the Forty and Eight. He also belongs to the Lakeside Shrine Club, the Congress Lake Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. He maintains professional affiliation with the Stark County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Canton Medical Library Association. He and his wife are communicants of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church. The Doctor is a veteran of the World war, having been commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical corps, and he was assigned to the Fourteenth Sanitary Train at Camp Custer. At the close of the war he was honorably discharged. A man of earnest purpose, closely devoted to his profession and absolutely without pretense of any nature, he makes a favorable impression on all who come in contact with him and stands deservedly high in public confidence and esteem.

CHARLES T. OLDROYD

One of Canton's leading life insurance men is Charles T. Oldroyd, who has followed this line of effort here for the past eighteen years, during which period he has built up an extensive and prosperous business. He was born at Toledo, Tama county, Iowa, on the 19th of October, 1863, a son of Elmer G. and Sarah S. (Bunce) Oldroyd. The father was born at Clinton (Shreve), Wayne county, Ohio, December 10, 1836, and was descended on the paternal side from English ancestors who settled in this country in 1818 and on the maternal side from Pennsylvania German stock, while the mother, who was born in Wakeman, Ohio, was descended from an old Connecticut family.

Charles T. Oldroyd received his early education in the school at Shreve, Ohio, after which he took a course in the Spencerian Business College, in Cleveland, from which he was graduated in 1885. He remained with his parents at Shreve and worked at the Watch-

maker's trade with his father until January, 1887, after which he returned to Cleveland and taught in the Spencerian Business College and was employed as bookkeeper for the Brooks Oil Company until February, 1889. He then became general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Sandusky, Ohio, in which capacity he served until 1893, when he again went to Cleveland, where for about five years he was employed in a bank. Coming to Canton in 1898, he was with The Bonnot Company until 1907, after which he spent a year and a half in Colorado. In 1910 he embarked in the life insurance business in Canton, to which he has closely devoted his attention to the present time.

On October 27, 1891, in Sandusky, Ohio, Mr. Oldroyd was united in marriage to Miss Winifred G. Gould, who was born at Norwalk, Ohio, June 22, 1871, and is a daughter of Rodney C. and Statira P. (Ward) Gould, both of whom are deceased. She is a descendant of John Howland, who was a passenger on the "Mayflower," and both of her parents were born in New England. Her father was for many years a successful school teacher. Mrs. Oldroyd is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Aultman Hospital Auxiliary and numerous women's missionary societies, and teaches a class of adult women in the Sunday school of the First Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. and Mrs. Oldroyd are the parents of two children. Elizabeth B., born January 31, 1907, was married in Canton, August 8, 1928, to Dyess Sproull, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sproull of Canton, and they live in Canton. Charles N., born April 4, 1911, is at home.

In his political views Mr. Oldroyd is nominally a republican, but casts his ballot in accordance with the dictates of his judgment. He is an ardent supporter of prohibition, due to his experience with unfortunate drinking men and his firm belief that liquor is the greatest cause of poverty and crime. He is identified with the First Methodist Episcopal church of Canton and the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church at Waco, in the work of which societies he takes an active interest, having served from January, 1900, to December, 1907, as superintendent of the Sunday school of the First church, and since January, 1924, as superintendent of the Sunday school of the Epworth church. He is a member of the Canton Chamber of Commerce and gives his support to every measure for the promotion of the best interests of his city and county along material, civic or moral lines. He is a man of strong personality

and agreeable manner, has a wide acquaintance throughout this community and commands the uniform confidence and respect of all who know him.

FREDERICK HENRY HESS

Frederick Henry Hess is a prominent representative of mercantile interests in Canton as proprietor of one of the leading furniture stores of the city, located at 703 West Tuscarawas street, where he has been successfully engaged in business during the past decade. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 18, 1866, his parents being William Jacob and Bertha Hess. The father's people came to America from Germany in Revolutionary days. The mother was born at Kaiserslautern in Bavaria, Germany, where her father was district judge.

In the acquirement of an education Frederick H. Hess attended the public schools of his native city and subsequently pursued a commercial course in the Cincinnati Business College. After serving a four years' apprenticeship to a watchmaker he was employed in a bank in a clerical capacity for one year and subsequently spent four years as clerk in a wholesale clothing house. Then the desire to travel seized him and for eight years he journeyed through the country, visiting most of the large cities and also a great many of the smaller towns of the United States. In 1898 he accepted a position as salesman for a Pittsburgh concern, in the interests of which he visited Philadelphia, New York city, Chicago, Cleveland, Toledo and Detroit. The year 1914 witnessed his arrival in Canton, Ohio. It was in 1918 that he here embarked in the furniture business on his own account on a very small scale and the success which has attended the undertaking is indicated in the fact that he is now the owner of one of the leading furniture stores of the city, occupying twenty-seven thousand square feet of floor space at 703 West Tuscarawas street, at the corner of High street. Mr. Hess keeps regular store hours, but is always glad to accommodate his patrons with evening appointments on request. He was ridiculed when selecting his present site, but time has proven that it is the ideal location for the kind of business in which he is engaged, for his is a corner

store with a sixty-foot window frontage. He enjoys the distinction of being the pioneer retail dealer on West Tuscarawas street.

On the 3d of March, 1903, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Hess was united in marriage to Jessie Ann Marshall, who was born in Clinton, Iowa, and whose parents migrated from the northern part of New York state. Her father, George W. Marshall, who was born at Ogdensburg, New York, March 9, 1837, served in the Civil war with a construction corps. He became a mason contractor of Clinton, Iowa, and built a stack for a lumber mill which was left standing as a monument after the mill proper was torn down. On the 9th of March, 1855, he married Julia Addis, who was born at Binghamton, New York, January 15, 1837, and was about eight years of age when she migrated to Wisconsin in a covered wagon. Mr. and Mrs. Hess are the parents of four children, namely: Anabel Mack, who is a pianist with studio in Cleveland, Ohio; Mary Jane, a teacher at Cleveland Heights; Helen Vandaca, who is the wife of George Calhoun; and Betty Ann, a senior at the McKinley high school.

Mr. Hess is a republican in politics but not a narrow partisan. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Trinity Reformed church, while fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, belonging to Canton Lodge No. 60, F. & A. M. He is also a member of the Optimist Club, the Masonic Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau and is numbered among the substantial and valued citizens as well as representative business men of Canton.

HERBERT T. O. BLUE

Professor Herbert T. O. Blue, who has been instructor of history and English in the Central and McKinley high schools of Canton since 1918, enjoys an enviable reputation as an educator and has become well known in different sections of the state as a lecturer on archaeological and historical subjects. His birth occurred at Ada, Hardin County, Ohio, on the 9th of September, 1887, his parents being Orren P. and Della A. (Ewing) Blue, the former a native of Walnut township, Pickaway county, Ohio. His grandparents in the paternal line were Harvey A. and Emily

(Bowman) Blue. The American progenitor of the Blue family was Michael Blue, of Virginia, of Revolutionary fame. The family migrated from England in the early part of the seventeenth century and settled originally in Hampshire county, Virginia, now West Virginia. It was about the year 1810 that the family removed from Virginia to Ohio, settling in Fairfield county.

Orren P. Blue, the father of Professor Blue, devoted his attention to educational work in early life but for many years has been engaged in business as an abstractor of land titles. He has long figured prominently in public affairs, having served as deputy county recorder, county treasurer and as clerk of the city of Kenton, while at the present time he is a member of the Kenton city council. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order and with the Modern Woodmen of America, representing the latter as consul for many years. He is also one of the active members of the Chamber of Commerce and takes a very helpful part in civic and religious affairs, being a prominent member and an official in the Church of Christ of Kenton, Ohio. In early manhood Orren P. Blue was married to Della A. Ewing, daughter of the late Alexander C. and Margaret (Park) Ewing, who were natives of Trumbull and Knox counties, Ohio, respectively, and came to western Ohio with their parents, settling in Orange township, Hancock county. The Ewings, who were also of English origin, became early settlers in western Pennsylvania and took up their abode among the pioneer residents of Trumbull county, Ohio.

Herbert T. O. Blue attended the public schools of Kenton, Ohio, until he had completed the high school course as a member of the class of 1906. Following his graduation he spent four years as a student in the normal and classical departments of the Ohio Northern University at Ada, which conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913, and then devoted a year to the classical course in the Ohio State University at Columbus. During the four-year period between 1913 and 1917 he served as principal of the high school at Ada. Professor Blue also studied in the department of theology in Hiram College, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1918. Since that year he has been a resident of the City of Canton, Ohio, and has been engaged in teaching in the department of History and English in the Central and McKinley high schools. He served as president

of the Hardin County Teachers Association during the years 1913 and 1914 and also has membership in the Ohio State Teachers Association and in the National Education Association.

Moreover, Professor Blue has exerted a potent influence from the lecture platform, speaking largely on educational, historic and religious themes. An able writer, he has for a number of years contributed articles on archaeological and historical subjects pertaining to the state of Ohio, and he is an active member of the Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society at Columbus. He has lectured on archaeological and historical subjects before various organizations throughout the state, specializing in this field of scientific research.

Professor Blue is a very active and valued member of the Young Men's Christian Association. He belongs to Canton Chapter of the International Y's Men's Club and is editor of the international organ of this association (affiliated with "Association Men") which is published in New York. He is chaplain and a member of the board of directors of the Y's Men's Club. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to Lathrop Lodge No. 154, F. & A. M., of Kenton, Ohio, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Christian Church of Canton, in which he is serving as an elder. The church has a membership of six thousand and Professor Blue is the teacher of the Loyal Men's Bible class, which numbers eight hundred and is the largest men's Bible class in this section of the country.

On the 11th of August, 1920, in Kenton, Ohio, Professor Blue was united in marriage to Miss Anna Wagner, daughter of P. V. and Emma (Williams) Wagner and granddaughter of Samuel Wagner, who was a son of John Wagner, a soldier of the Revolutionary war. The first of the name in Ohio settled in Pleasant township, Hardin county, in 1833. Professor and Mrs. Blue make their home at 1105 Ninth Street, northwest, in Canton, Ohio.

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